

500 Fund What a treat to be able to buy gifts

To our Dear Unknown Friends:
A very sincere thank you to all who helped to make this Christmas a truly happy one. We had planned to share Christmas with others who had even less than we have. I was down to a few cents and still a week to go in December when, praise God, your cheque arrived. What a treat to be able to buy gifts my boys really needed, plus something special for myself and the trimming for a truly happy Christmas. Some of us forget how delicious fruit and nuts and candy taste till Christmas comes around. God bless you all richly for your kindness ...

THIS IS JUST ONE of the many letters which arrived at the Colonist last year from families to whom the money donated by our readers meant the difference between sadness and happiness.

There's less than a week to go and we're still far from the \$50,000 we set out to get this year.

The only ones who can help us meet the goal are our readers, and we appeal to their compassion and kindness.

What does \$50,000 mean to the 500 Fund? It means a \$100 cheque in 500 homes where Christmas would otherwise be a bleak day.

MONEY CAN'T BUY happiness, you say. Maybe too much of it brings sorrow, but its complete lack is devastating.

Think about it.

Donations may be made through the Victoria Press office at 2821 Douglas or by mail to postal code V8W 1A1. In addition, Avis Rent-a-Car at 638 Humboldt and 1120 Quadra, at Quadra and Pandora, are receiving donations.

Seventeen real estate offices throughout Greater Victoria are prepared to accept donations to the fund. They are:
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Weathermen strike out B.C.

No weather forecasts will be available in B.C. until further notice after meteorologists employed by the federal government walked off the job at 8 p.m. Wednesday.

The legal walkout was expected to last 24 hours.

(The Colonist's forecast today was provided at 4:50 p.m. Wednesday.)

Weathermen will stay on the job to issue warnings of any major change in the weather that might be hazardous to the public, but are not providing any information for marine, aviation, or public purposes.

A federal transport ministry spokesman at Pat Bay airport said Wednesday night that no flights from or to Victoria had been affected.

Victoria forecasters are not providing any information because they are dependent on data issued from Vancouver.

Other centres affected by this walkout, the second by meteorologists to protest what they say is the federal treasury board's uncompromising stand on the issue of time off in compensation for shift work, are Edmonton, Whitehorse and Winnipeg.

There was no indication how long the strike would last. Last week forecasters at Toronto, Montreal and Halifax stopped work for 24 hours.

Jack Donnegan, spokesman for the meteorology group of the Professional Institute of the Public Service of Canada, said that for the last several years meteorologists had been dissatisfied with the shift compensation provided.

He said a skeleton staff of forecasters would remain on duty to provide a weather-warning service to ensure the safety and security of the general public.

Peace search unflagging

CAIRO — Israel and Egypt opened talks Wednesday to prepare for a Middle East peace conference in Geneva and immediately became embroiled in a dispute over the main issue separating them—the Palestinian question.

The Israeli delegation protested against the flag of the Palestine Liberation Organization flying outside the conference site along with the flags of the other parties invited. Israel considers the PLO a terrorist organization and refuses to deal with it.

In response to the Israeli protest about the presence of the "unknown flag," all the flags were removed, along with their flagpoles.

The talks are the first formal face-to-face conference between Arabs and Jews aimed at paving the way to a lasting peace in the Middle East.

Sabbath days recess

Toward the end of the day, Egyptian delegation spokesman, Morsi Saad Eddin, told reporters the day's session will resume this morning, but that there will be a recess for the following three days—Sabbath days for Moslems,

Jews and Christians respectively.

The Cairo negotiations, facing such obstacles as redrawing frontiers and demands for a Palestinian state, are boycotted by militant Arab leaders and the Soviet Union, who accuse Egyptian President Anwar Sadat of a sell-out.

Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin arrived in the U.S. to consult with President Carter on the Cairo meeting.

Both the Israelis and Egyptians have emphasized the Cairo talks are not designed to arrange a separate treaty but to do the groundwork for an over-all Middle East settlement, possibly at a reconvened Geneva peace conference.

Egypt's chief delegate spoke of renewed hope as he opened the Cairo conference before television cameras that transmitted the proceedings to Israel and many Arab and European countries.

"Today we sincerely hope we are witnessing the dawn of a new era for this region and the entire world," he said. The Israelis and Arabs had fought four wars since Israel became independent in 1948.

Downtown Cairo was festooned with banners as Israeli and Egyptian delegates met at the Mena House, a restored luxury hotel beside the Great Pyramid of Cheops and a 40-minute drive from Cairo. Security was strict, with policemen surrounding the hotel and stationed at the base of the pyramid.

Also represented at the meeting are the U.S. and the UN.

Begin told reporters at New York's Kennedy airport: "We do hope this visit will be a real contribution to the peace-making process because it is President Carter

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Happy hands go carolling

Joyful carollers Josh Lang, 5, and Julie Hawkes, 4, students at Phoenix School for the Deaf, perform Christmas songs with their hands at Phoenix

Arizona, shopping centre. The youngsters hear the music through special hearing aids they wear around their necks.

CP takes helm Jan. 1 of Northland network

VANCOUVER (CP) — Canadian Pacific Ltd. will take over the tug, barge and trucking operations of the Northland group of companies under terms of a lease agreement signed Wednesday and effective Jan. 1, 1978.

Northland currently provides a twice-weekly tug and covered barge freight service between Vancouver and Kitimat.

It also has a barge service from Kitimat to other ports in the northwest area, as well as a highway service to Terrace, Prince Rupert, Stewart, Burns Lake, and intermediate points from Kitimat through its subsidiary, Skeena Motor Carriers Ltd.

B. D. Margetis, general manager of CP Rail's coastal marine operations, said in a

news release that during the next few months the company "will be examining the possibility of increasing the frequency of the service as well as improving over-all efficiency."

No immediate changes in service to ship-owners is expected however.

Frequency and efficiency of barge operations on the west coast have been a controversial issue for the past two years.

The agreement provides for leasing of Northland's facilities and equipment by Canadian Pacific for up to six years, with an option to purchase the service outright.

Northland's services will be operated by CP Rail's coastal marine division but will be kept separate from CP Rail's existing coastal steamship organization.

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Forest sprays 'a last resort'

OTTAWA (CP) — Spraying will become the weapon of last resort and research on ways to combat forest pests will concentrate on developing biological controls, Environment Minister Len Marchand announced Wednesday.

Provincial governments are to play a major role in the battle, Marchand said in a policy statement released by the department.

Forests are an important renewable resource and a serious threat to them by pests such as the spruce budworm threatens the economy, especially in areas where opportunities are limited, he said.

While spraying will have to be done in certain cases, improved forest management techniques by provinces and biological controls provide greater long-range benefits.

The federal department will concentrate on research on proposed chemical treatments and spraying techniques.

QUEEN CHARLOTTE 'JAWS' VERIFIED BY BIOLOGISTS

NANAIMO (CP) — The Pacific Biological Station here said Wednesday that the teeth taken from a shark found in the Queen Charlotte Islands in November show the fish was a great white shark.

Dr. Keith Ketchen said the shark was found on Lyell Island, about 80 kilometres south of Sandspit.

He said this is the first documented case of a great white shark in B.C. waters although there have been many

reports of sightings off the Alaska coast near Prince of Wales Island.

"But this is the first time we've had something tangible like teeth. This is the species that has been responsible for most reported shark attacks on humans," he said.

He said there have been no reports of shark attacks north of California on the Pacific coast.

Ketchen said the shark, discovered by Bill Verchere of the Queen Charlotte Islands, could have got lost coming north in tropical waters.

Mail warning sent but late — RCMP

OTTAWA (CP) — Field investigators of the RCMP Security Service weren't told until Sept. 23 this year that it was illegal for them to open first-class mail, the McDonald royal commission into illegal RCMP behavior was advised Wednesday.

A message to area com-

manders went out three days after RCMP Supt. J.D. Cain, in charge of the RCMP legal branch, told security service headquarters Sept. 20 by memo that "it is illegal for anyone" to open mail or detain it.

The Post Office Act makes it a serious criminal offence

to even walk away with a letter found in the street let alone go into a post office and remove mail, the royal commission has been told this week.

However, the RCMP practice was only gradually slowed down and finally stopped in the 1970s, the commission learned. The service regarded the practice as a vital tool in dealing with foreign spies and domestic terrorists, operational chief Murray Sexsmith and his predecessor, Howard Draper, have testified.

Draper gave evidence Wednesday under protection of the Canada Evidence Act.

He testified that when he became deputy director for operations in 1969, records were fragmentary and mail-openings were "a little casual."

Draper helped draft a top-

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Uranium study vetoed by Chabot

Canadian Press

Mines Minister James Chabot rejected Wednesday a request by an environmental group for a \$600,000 grant to study the social, economic and environmental implications of uranium mining in B.C.

SPEC, the anti-pollution group, said earlier this week the request was made to both the federal and provincial governments because they had provided a similar amount in 1976 for a three-year geochemical reconnaissance program for uranium.

Chabot said such a grant to SPEC would be a waste of money, and would only serve to delay uranium mining development in B.C. by three years.

Floods follow blackouts

Bella Bella hell: Now, hotel burns

BELLA BELLA, B.C. (CP) — During the last nine days, this isolated community has experienced a power failure, loss of telephone service, bitter cold, flooded basements—and now the town's hotel has burned.

The fire in the hotel Wednesday caused no injuries and guests are now bunking in the hospital in this community of 1,100 on the north coast.

Cecil Reid, Bella Bella Indian band chief councillor, said Wednesday he thought the fire was caused by a short circuit.

Bella Bella's problems began Dec. 6 when B.C. Hydro power cables to the island on which the community is situated were cut, apparently by a tugboat tow chain.

Telephone service was lost Sunday when the generator supplying a microwave transmitting station ran out of propane.

Both power and telephone services were restored Tuesday but residents are continuing their battle with flooding caused by warm weather and plumbing systems that ruptured while the power was off.



Rallo on way to trial

Dad convicted of murdering wife, 2 children

HAMILTON (CP) — Jon Rallo, 35, of Hamilton was found guilty Wednesday on three counts of first-degree murder in the deaths of his wife, Stephanie, 29, daughter, Stephanie, 5, and son, Jason, 7.

Rallo was sentenced to life imprisonment on each of the three counts and Mr. Justice John O'Driscoll said Rallo must serve a minimum of 25 years before parole.

Stephanie's body was pulled from Jordan Harbour near St. Catharines, Ont., on Aug. 18, 1976, and the body of her mother was found in the Welland Canal a week later. Jason's body has not been found.

During his charge to the

jury Wednesday, O'Driscoll said there had been no evidence of insanity.

After hearing the jury's verdict, Rallo told O'Driscoll: "Well, my lord, I know I did not do it."

"I know Stephanie knows I did not do it and Jason, wherever he may be, knows I did not do it. That is all, my lord."

The judge said that based on testimony by biologist William Towstak about blood found in the Rallo home, the jury could reasonably conclude Mrs. Rallo was beaten in the house and Jason met the same fate as his mother and sister.

500 Fund gift list

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Order of Amaranth	25.00	Total	\$26,040.13

Peace talks open

who has made the biggest contribution to peace."

He is to meet with Carter on Friday in Washington after conferring with Jewish groups in New York. He declined to elaborate on answer questions.

A senior U.S. official in Cairo said Begin's visit to Washington might result in new instructions for Israel's delegation.

He said Begin wanted to reach a common understanding with Carter "for at least an understanding of each other's position about what can result" from Sadat's peace initiative.

Egyptian chief delegate Ahmed Esmat Abdel Meguid started the Cairo conference by saying the Palestinian question was central to the Arab-Israeli dispute. He urged the adoption of a "comprehensive settlement where the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people are fully realized so that peace and justice may prevail once more in the Middle East."

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Israel's delegation chief, Eliahu Ben-Elissar, responded that Israel seeks "a comprehensive agreement and not a separate agreement. It is a real peace that we seek with all our (Arab) neighbors, to the south, the east and to the north."

The U.S. and U.N. agreed to come to Cairo, where chief U.S. delegate Alfred Atherton told the hour-long opening session:

"We are ready to do all we can to facilitate, support and encourage the negotiations here to prepare the way for the Geneva Middle East peace conference and the achievement of comprehensive, just and durable peace."

Begin, before flying out of Israel for New York and Washington told reporters he would present to Carter "suggestions connected directly with the peace-making process in the Middle East."

The Weather

Dec. 15, 1977

Rain coming to showers this morning. Windy tonight. Wednesday's precipitation 8.4mm. Recorded high and low at Victoria airport 12 and 6. Today's forecast high and low near 9 and 4 to 6. Today's sunrise 7:58, sunset 4:19. Moonrise 11:26 a.m., moonset 10:51 p.m. Friday outlook: showers.

East coast of Vancouver Island — Periods of rain changing to showers by noon. Windy. Forecast high and low at Nanaimo near 8 and 4 to 6. Friday outlook: showers.

West coast of Vancouver Island — Showers. Windy. Forecast high and low at Tofino near 6 and 2 to 5. Friday outlook: showers.

North coast — Cloudy with showers of rain or wet snow except inland snowflurries. Windy near the coast. Highs around 5 except — 2 inland. Friday outlook: showers of mixed rain and snow.

Extended outlook, Saturday through Monday — Periods of rain. Temperatures near normal Saturday followed by a cooling trend. Highs 4 to 9. Lows — 1 to 3.

READINGS	Max.	Min.	Precip.	Trace
St. John's	-6	-12	—	—
Halifax	-4	-19	5.0	—
Fredericton	-10	-23	—	—
Charlottetown	-7	-14	—	—
Montreal	-6	-11	17.0	—
Ottawa	-4	-11	15.0	—
Toronto	-3	-1	18.0	—
North Bay	-6	-11	—	—
Thunder Bay	-6	-10	4.7	—
Kenora	-6	-19	—	—
Winnipeg	-11	-18	0.2	—
The Pas	-11	-20	—	—
Churchill	-12	-20	—	—
Brandon	-9	-11	—	—
Regina	-8	-10	—	—
Saskatoon	-11	-15	—	—
Prince Albert	-15	-20	—	—
North Battleford	-13	-15	—	—
Swift Current	-14	-17	1.2	—
Medicine Hat	-5	-10	1.0	—
Lethbridge	-6	-1	2.2	—
Calgary	-7	-1	—	—
Edmonton	-2	-20	—	—
Crabbrook	-2	0	10.9	—
Castlegar	2	0	23.8	—
Penticton	8	5	7.5	—
Revelstoke	3	0	17.6	—
Vancouver	10	7	14.4	—
Terrace	2	0	—	—
Stewart	0	-1	13.4	—
Port Hardy	8	5	5.4	—
Tofino	10	8	42.0	—
Comox	9	6	22.4	—
Prince George	5	-2	—	—
Williams Lake	5	1	—	—
Mackenzie	2	1	5.2	—

Mennonite shunned by family, sect Delivered unto Satan and 100 acres poorer

CARLISLE, Pa. (AP) — Robert Bear's 19th wedding anniversary Wednesday capped five years of religious strife and family woe as he sadly watched a section of his beloved and once-prosperous potato farm auctioned off to satisfy creditors.

Bear, 48, lost his wife and children when he was excommunicated and shunned by his Reformed Mennonite Church because he criticized church officials. Shunning meant no one in the church, including his family and business associates, could speak to him or have anything to do with him.

"A nicer piece of land I don't know of around here," Bear said today after a 100-acre tract, on which sat his farmhouse, was auctioned off for \$130,000 to cover bank liens and other debts he attributes to the shunning. Two other tracts, totaling 300 acres, were not sold.

The purchaser, J.R. Zimmerman, a farmer and old friend, said he would rent the land.

Bear's wife, Gale, and their six children, now mostly teenagers, moved out in 1972 after the ultra-conservative 600-member church imposed its "doctrine of avoidance," commonly called shunning.

"I'm going to lose a lot of money, but ... what does money mean if you don't have someone to spend it on? ... Without children, a farm has no purpose," he said recently.

His parents died shortly after the sanction was taken.

"To the moment they died they looked at me with disgust. I was already burning in hell," he said.

The excommunication came after Bear criticized his wife's brother, Bishop Glenn Gross. Bear said Gross violated church rules by giving communion to Gross' parents after one had accused the other of being unfaithful.

Bear's dispute with the church goes back many years, however. He and his wife were excommunicated in 1964 but readmitted in 1965. He was excommunicated again in 1972.

Bear went to court to try to force the church to relax some of the provisions. He claimed the shunning hurt his thriving potato business when employees quit and Mennonite business associates refused to handle his crops.

A Cumberland County judge said the flap was Bear's fault and refused to halt the church sanctions. Bear appealed, but has



Bear leaves courthouse

changed his mind several times about whether to continue the legal fight.

Last year Bear wrote a book about his experiences, titled *Delivered Unto Satan*. He once peddled the book by parking his truck, covered with signs attacking Gross, in the parking lot of a farm market run by Gross.

Gross and Gale Bear have refused to talk to reporters.

Bear says the farm is worth \$400,000. There is a \$35,000 bank lien on the property. After the taxes and mortgage are paid off through the auction, Bear and his wife will split whatever is left.

Bear said the farm's gross income fell from \$100,000 in 1972 to about \$5,000 in 1976. His only harvest this last fall was pumpkins. He said he had to go out of state to market some of them.

He indicated he may now move away. "I'd like to go where there are some kind-hearted people," he said.

Pill-ad truce called

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. Food and Drug Administration is calling for a ceasefire in a bitter advertising struggle between makers of aspirin and non-aspirin pain relievers.

FDA commissioner Donald

Kennedy has asked Sterling Drug Co., makers of Bayer aspirin, to stop what he called a one-sided advertising campaign against Tylenol, the top-selling aspirin substitute.

Bayer's broadcast and print advertisements quote an FDA news release and an FDA advisory panel that said Tylenol and other acetaminophen products are no safer than aspirin, and large doses of them can cause liver damage.

At the same time, Kennedy faulted Tylenol for taking statements about aspirin's safety out of context from the panel's report and not mentioning the potential liver damage problem from over-doses of Tylenol.

The U.S. Federal Trade Commission has jurisdiction over non-prescription drug

ads. Kennedy wrote FTC commissioner Michael Pertschuk last week, asking him to consider action against misleading ads in the \$750-million-a-year market for over-the-counter pain killers.

Western winners

WINNIPEG (CP) — Five \$100,000 winners in the Western Express lottery were drawn Wednesday night.

The top prize winners are holders of tickets 91996 in series six, 81894 in series 20, 26594 in series five, 47405 in series two and 53770 in series 15.

The same numbers in any other series are worth \$1,000. Cash prizes of \$100 and \$25

RCMP WARNING LATE

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secret memo to area commanders. It was signed by L. R. Parent, then assistant commissioner for security and intelligence, and issued Nov. 2, 1970.

It noted obliquely that it is illegal to open mail and "there is absolutely no indication that this aspect is likely to be rectified in the near future."

The force felt that national security justified continued "development and cultivation" of postal employees willing to co-operate, the memo said. Investigators were reminded that the postal employees were risking their jobs and should not be identified openly—only by code numbers—in files under the heading Operation Cathedral.

"You weren't concerned with the fact that you were asking these people to break the law?" Mr. Justice David McDonald, the commission chairman, asked Draper. Draper said the RCMP felt the broader concern for national security justified asking them to co-operate, thus risking not only their jobs but possible imprisonment.

The memo broke down Operation Cathedral into three types: (A) a "routine name or address check;" (B) "intercept (photograph or otherwise) scrutinize by investigator but do NOT open;" (C) "intercept and attempt content examination."

Operations under (C) could only be authorized by the head of the security service after Nov. 2, 1970. Before that, Draper said, "a reasonably junior branch officer" had been able to authorize mail-opening.

A message to area commanders June 22, 1973, suspended all Cathedral operations.

"No further operations are to be instituted until you are advised the suspension is lifted," it said.

Draper was unclear about how long the suspension was in effect.

When asked why he hadn't tried to get a warrant in 1974 under the amended Official Secrets Act, he said he had been told in conversation the Secrets Act wouldn't override the provisions of the Post Office Act.

Guy Gilbert of Montreal, a member of the royal commission, said testimony by Draper and Sexsmith indicated a trend after 1970 that was

Sexsmith said both versions were correct. He had stopped authorizing mail-openings Aug. 1, 1975 but had been asked in July, 1976 to authorize a continuing mail-opening by Ottawa Mounties that had been going on since Draper's time. He had refused.

Sexsmith said Fox first asked about mail-openings last month, after news reports that they were taking place.

McDonald noted that although Sexsmith said he stopped authorizations in 1975, Solicitor-General Francis Fox said in the Commons last month that the Mounties had stopped opening mail in 1976.

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Volrich gets his \$700 to keep love off grass

VANCOUVER (CP) — Mayor Jack Volrich, concerned over lovers lying on the city hall lawn, says the city has "a duty to provide decency and keep them in an upright position."

On his recommendation, council approved expenditure of \$700 to rectify the situation.

Volrich was referring to a sculpture called *The Lovers*, a kneeling nude man and woman embracing. The base is eroding, and the lovers are in danger of falling over.

Protection 'nonsense'

OTTAWA (CP) — Prime Minister Trudeau's claim that citizens are protected by the courts from police abuse of the law is absolute nonsense, John Fraser (PC — Vancouver South) said Wednesday after a Commons shouting match.

Fraser, a lawyer, asked Solicitor-General Francis Fox whether he agreed with Trudeau's "novel theory." He questioned how a citizen was protected in the case of an illegal break-in into a home

by RCMP when the citizen did not know who broke in, or whom to charge.

Fox did not get a chance to reply. Fraser's microphone was shut off by Speaker James Jerome and Trudeau shouted across the floor that Fraser should ask him the question.

"You don't have the answer, anyway. It's no use asking you anymore," Fraser shouted back. Jerome had to call the Commons to

order several times before the two stopped.

The statement Fraser questioned was made by Trudeau last week, when he said, "If you (police) want to break into somebody's house, you get a warrant. A court decides if you have reasonable and probable cause to do it. If you break in without a warrant, a citizen lays a charge and the police are found guilty."

Fraser said he was upset by this and another Trudeau statement that politicians, including the solicitor-general, should be kept in ignorance of the day-to-day operations of the police, including the security service of the RCMP.

Fraser told reporters outside the Commons that Trudeau's ideas were "incredi-

ble nonsense — absolute nonsense foreign to our way of doing things."

He said ministers had to have knowledge of police operations and be responsible for all of them. There was always the danger of excess — that a minister might manipulate the police — "but you can't ask a minister not to ask questions."

He charged that Trudeau "seems to have been a champion of civil liberties by rhetoric only."

He said he was warning individuals to scrutinize Trudeau's ideas so that, in the future "when our liberties are gone," people won't come to MPs and say, "Well, why didn't you stand up and say something?"

Nazi murderer draws 15 years for 1941 killings

AMSTERDAM (AP) — Dutch millionaire Pieter Menten was sentenced Wednesday to 15 years in jail for taking part in the Nazi killing of Polish Jews during the Second World War.

The 78-year-old art collector was involved in mass killings at the village of Podhorce, Poland, on July 7, 1941, the court ruled.

But the court dismissed charges that Menten took part in another massacre at the village of Urycz on Aug. 27, 1941, as "not proven."

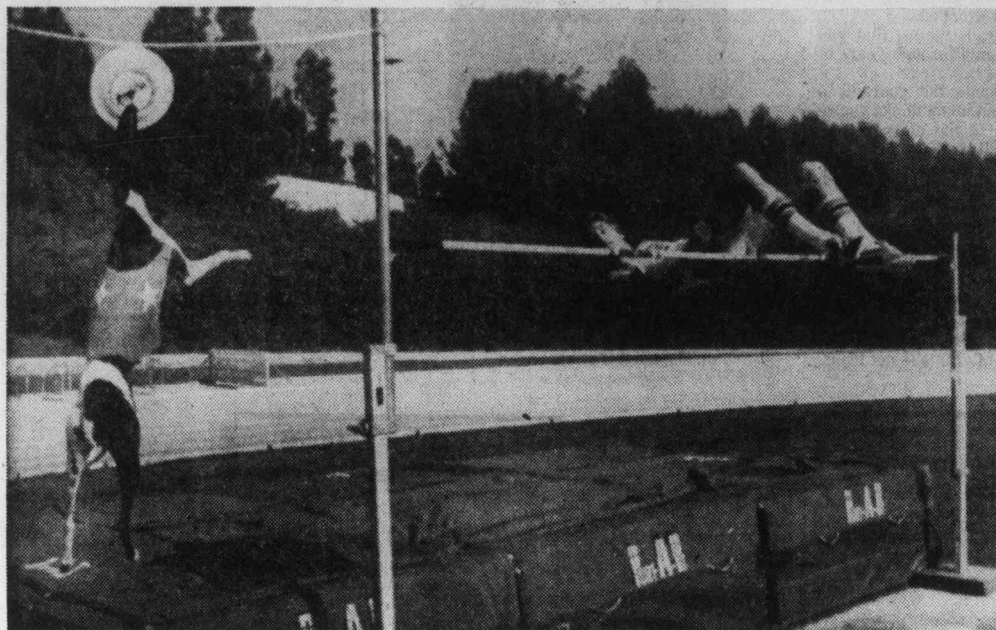
Formal charges against Menten said he took part in

the killings of 20 to 30 persons at Podhorce and of 175 to 200 persons at Urycz. Both villages are now part of the Soviet Ukraine.

Menten denied all the charges.

Wednesday's was the second verdict against Menten for his wartime activities. The first was in 1949, when he drew an eight-month sentence for collaborating with the Nazis.

The new charges against him followed a series of exposures in the Dutch press in 1976 which resulted in a fresh investigation.



Dwight and frisbee dog match jumps

Dwight Stones, world indoor record holder for high jump, takes on Ashley Whippet, world champion frisbee-catching dog, who has soared to nine feet, to see

who can jump higher. Contest was held in Los Angeles Wednesday. Result was a tie. Stunt was performed to promote track meet to be held next week.

Farmers picket U.S. food stores

Associated Press

A U.S. farmers' strike for higher prices began Wednesday with tractors blocking grocery warehouses in Texas, farmers blocking a railway track in Georgia and police clearing picketing farmers from stockyards in Oklahoma City.

Grain sales were slow in Iowa and Illinois, but buyers there blamed the weather and low prices as much as the strike.

It was difficult to tell what effect the strike was having on food supplies.

One indicator, however, came from the U.S. agriculture department's Agricultural Marketing Service in Washington. It said there had been no general impact on livestock receipts at markets

across the United States on Wednesday, that sales of cattle, hogs and other animals appeared normal, and that field reports indicated no significant change in grain marketing patterns.

At the Chicago Board of Trade, there were no changes in price or supply that were attributed to the farm strike.

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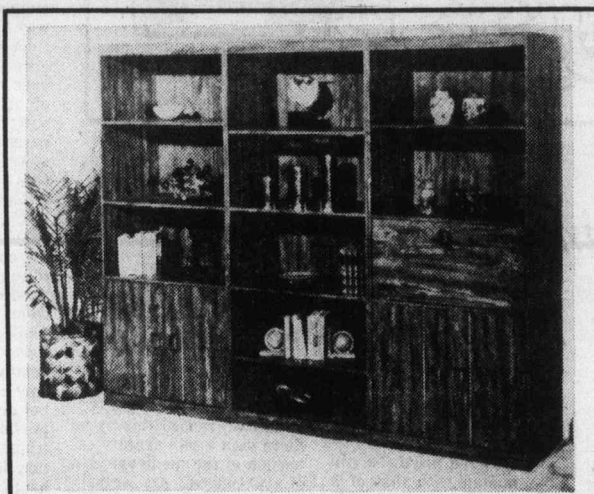
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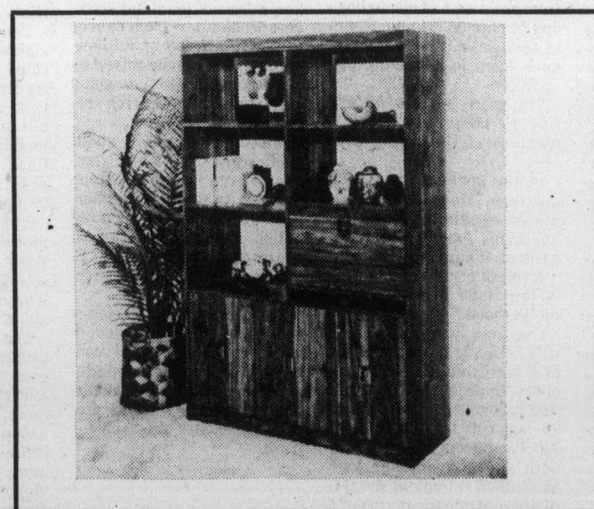
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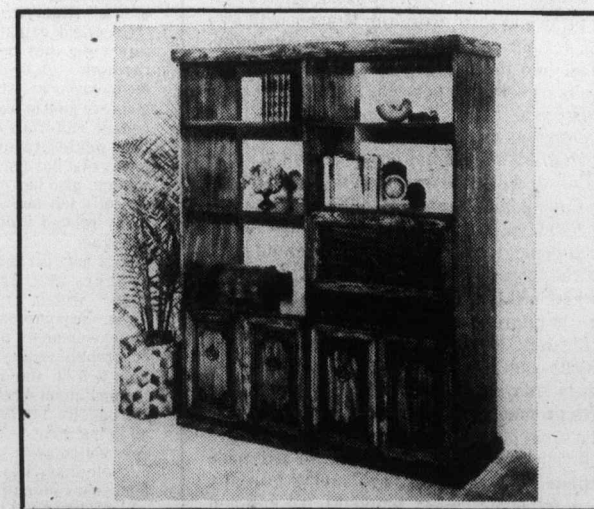
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Children needing a place

THERE ARE 18 hospital beds in all of British Columbia set aside for the care of children with psychiatric problems. There are no hospital beds at all for adolescents with emotional troubles.

It is hardly surprising, then, that we learn from Prince George of a nine-year-old emotionally disturbed girl who spent five weeks in a psychiatric ward with a child molester, a prostitute, drug addicts and other adult patients because there was no place else in town to treat her.

What is truly amazing is the lack of response by the provincial government to this long-standing problem. The excuse, of course, is not enough money. But the provincial health budget for the current year is close to \$1 billion. How could kids with this particular kind of sickness get shoved so far down the priority list? Of course, they and their mentors are relatively few in number. Children don't pay taxes or vote either.

The Eric Martin Institute in Victoria has 10 of the province's 18 beds for psychiatric children, from infants to age 14, and has been serving as a sort of provincial referral centre for such cases because the eight beds in Vancouver are used to meet Lower Mainland needs. Children have come to the Victoria unit from as far as Dawson Creek.

Dr. Philip Ney, a local child psychiatrist, notes that emotional troubles are the only area of medicine dealing with children which is growing.

About three years ago a submission was made locally to establish a small psychiatric unit for adolescents, for the 14 to 17 age group, at EMI. Nothing has happened. No money.

Why can't older children be treated with adults? Their needs and treatment are quite different, Ney says, and mixing the groups hurts both. Adolescents, for example, need emphasis on their school problems. They also need far more group activity than adult patients. Of children with emotional troubles the doctor says: "some kids are really mixed up. It's a mixed-up world we live in."

Certainly numerous aspects of health care are clamoring for more funding at any given moment. But one of the biggest mix-ups in this province seems to be the pathetic priority given children needing psychiatric care.

See Canada first

THOSE WHO STILL BELIEVE that the importance of the tourist industry to the nation's economy is highly exaggerated would do well to study the latest official figures on international travel.

According to OECD statistics, the world's greatest travellers are the Germans, followed by the Americans and then the French. Fourth spot, believe it or not, belongs to Canadians. Between them they spent a grand total of \$21.7 billion on holidays abroad in 1976.

Leading the field, German tourists spent \$8.9 billion on foreign vacations, second were Americans with \$6.8 billion (an increase of 6.5 per cent over 1975) and third were the French with \$3.4 billion (12 per cent increase). Canadians, moving fast into the big-league, spent \$2.6 billion, which marked a 25.5 per cent increase over the previous year.

Numerous conclusions may be drawn from these figures—depending on one's point of view. Certainly it will be the opinion of many that if those Canadians who spent \$2.6 billion abroad on their holidays last year had taken their vacations at home, the national economy would have benefitted greatly. This is, of course, very true. But whether it is realistic to expect Canadians to do this in future is another question.

However, it is a matter to which both governments and private enterprise would be advised to address themselves. For years our tourist promoters have been telling the world what a great place Canada is to spend a holiday.

Obviously the time has come to persuade Canadians that what they are saying is really true. A full-scale "See Canada First" national campaign might just work wonders.

Richard Jackson

Slicing and shipping the tax dollars out

OTTAWA — Spending restraints, insists the government.

What spending restraints?

Well, how about less spending on old age pensions and family allowances? Welfare Minister Monique Begin has blurted out hints before — then swallowed them — but now is on the record where she can't take refuge in "I was misquoted" or "they misinterpret me."

Here it is, from page 1163 of Hansard, date Nov. 23:

Paul Yewchuk (PC-Athabasca): The minister has stated she plans to finance this program (the controversial guaranteed annual income which would cost \$350 million just for bureaucratic organization) by re-arranging existing programs. Can she tell the House specifically what program she plans to cancel or re-arrange? Does she plan to cancel the income support of the Canada Assistance Plan, the family allowance, or the old age pension? What specific program will the minister cancel to get funding for the guaranteed annual income program?

Monique Begin (Minister of Welfare): I do not intend to cancel programs for those in need. I would like to reaffirm very strongly that we are studying re-arrangements which would take away — if I can put it that way — from those who do not need universal programs and would eventually increase the allowances which should be received by families in need.

Plain enough. That sounds like family allowances and old age pensions are to be put on a means test. If your income is deemed sufficient by Miss Begin and her bureaucrats, then your allowance or pension will be cut or dropped.

Doesn't matter, it seems, that you earned the payments through years of work and taxes. Miss Begin wants the guaranteed annual income, and if she thinks you're not in dire need of the allowance or pension, then you'll help pay for it.

Meanwhile, how hard up is the spendthrift Trudeau government? It's got money to throw away — but not on family allowances or old age pensions.

Not on anything here at home. But abroad? Well, for example, the government's open-handed Canadian International Development Agency has just approved \$1.2 billion worth of grants — not loans,



mind you, but grants or gifts — to Algeria.

You'll be familiar with Algeria. A Third World communist country. A haven for terrorists. Hijack a jet and seek safety in Algeria. Welcome comrade. Bring your hijacked jet, your millions in ransom, your hostages and the fellow terrorists you blackmailed a soft Western government to free from jail and make yourself at home.

For Algeria with love from the Canadian government: \$1.2 billion.

For Canadian families and pensioners: give up your allowances.

In another mad fit of generosity Ottawa is forgiving \$78 million in outstanding, mostly overdue, loans to Tanzania.

Not only that but an additional \$9.2 million will be given to Tanzania over the next five years in the form of outright grants.

Oh well, it's only money.

Yours. But Monique Begin says if you're getting family allowances and don't really need it, or your income is sufficient without the old age pension then give it up — Algeria, Tanzania and other deserving communist countries need it. You'll be familiar with Tanzania, too.

They're well enough off in that black African state to afford an escalating war against Rhodesia and South Africa.

Raise hell with your MP while there's still time before Monique Begin gets out her axe and goes to work on family allowances and old age pensions.

Remember her in the next election too.

Gwynne Dyer

One-party regimes give us old men clinging to power

LONDON—Old men do not yet run the whole world. As time passes, however, they will be running more and more of it, because of the spread of one-party states. There is now plenty of evidence to show that single-party bureaucratic regimes almost always end up by producing a ruling elite of ultra-conservative, old men.

Men age at different rates, of course. De Gaulle was a relatively youthful man at 70, while Franco at the same age was declining into senility. But both men held onto power long after their judgment and their arteries had hardened, simply because there was no way to make them let go.

Examples abound of dictators whose age has made even more dangerous. Think of Stalin in his last years, suffering from a mounting paranoia, and readying another great purge which was only averted by his death.

Consider Mao during the 1970's, a palsied wreck incapable of coherent speech by the end, but still capable of plunging China into five needless years of turmoil from which it is only now emerging. Look at Juan Peron, brought back to Argentina in his 80's, lucid for only a couple of hours a day, but nevertheless passing the presidency on to his wife and triggering yet another military intervention in that unhappy country.

It is not merely a question of dictatorship, however. There have always been dictators, vigorous soldiers or charismatic civilian leaders who seize power in their middle years — and lose it when their faculties begin to fade, if not before. What keeps the old men in power these days is the one-party apparatus they head and this is a relatively new phenomenon.

The fact that highly-disciplined one-party dictatorships eventually produce a leadership of very old men took some time to become obvious, because most of them started out as collections of young revolutionaries. The Communist Party in the Soviet Union, which serves as godfather and model to them all, whatever their ideological tastes, seized power in 1917 with a leadership whose average age was 35.

The average age of the Politburo in Moscow today is over twice that (while the average age of U.S. presidents has stayed steady around 57 throughout this century). And Brezhnev, a mere youngster at the beginning of his 70's, is easily surpassed by the Chinese leadership, two of whose five central figures are in their early 80's. Tito, in Yugoslavia, has passed his 85th birthday.

This is no mere accident. If a group gets power young, and sets up an elaborate totalitarian organization to ensure that it keeps it, then it grows old in the driver's seat.

Deaths create new openings at the top from time to time, but in rigid bureaucratic hierarchies the vacancies generally go to the next most senior men. The average age rises to a rate of about six months per year, until it hits a plateau in the late 60's —



early 70's because of rising mortality. And there it stays.

It applies to any one-party state, not just Communist ones. Most other examples are post-1960, when single-party regimes were set up in a great many newly independent countries, but even there you can see the average age of the leadership rising steadily. In some of the earliest examples, like Kenya and Tunisia, the plateau has already been reached (Kenyatta is somewhere in his mid-80's, and Bourguiba is 74).

Where the single party has only been established for 10 years or so, the average age of the leadership is not yet even as high as the average in the democratic countries.

But it is a good bet, for example, that many of the 'golden generation' of educated Africans who got their hands on power at independence in the mid-1960s will still be in control in the year 2000.

Where political power changes hands frequently,

either by coups or by elections, on the other hand, the average leadership age stays down. Almost all western leaders tend to be in the late 40's-early 60's bracket.

The exceptions prove the rule. Franco and Salazar, Adenauer and De Gaulle were running what was effectively one-party states (at least at the time). The oldest elected governments in the West now are in Japan and Italy, where the ruling party has been in power for decades.

Thirty years from now, there will still be a lot of familiar faces around in the Third World, except that they will be lined with age. Imagine Cuba's Fidel Castro at 70, or Singapore's Lee Kuan Yew, or Angola's Agostinho Neto. If they themselves don't make it to three-score-and-ten, it will more than likely be one of their companions and contemporaries who is in charge.

Old men in power tend to be cautious, conservative, and jealous of their prerogatives — if not downright erratic. After a lifetime of giving orders, they rarely know when to leave gracefully. There are going to be a lot more old men running the world as time goes on, thanks to the fashion for one-party regimes, and they are going to pose some very nasty succession problems.

Important clue on schizophrenia

From the Globe and Mail

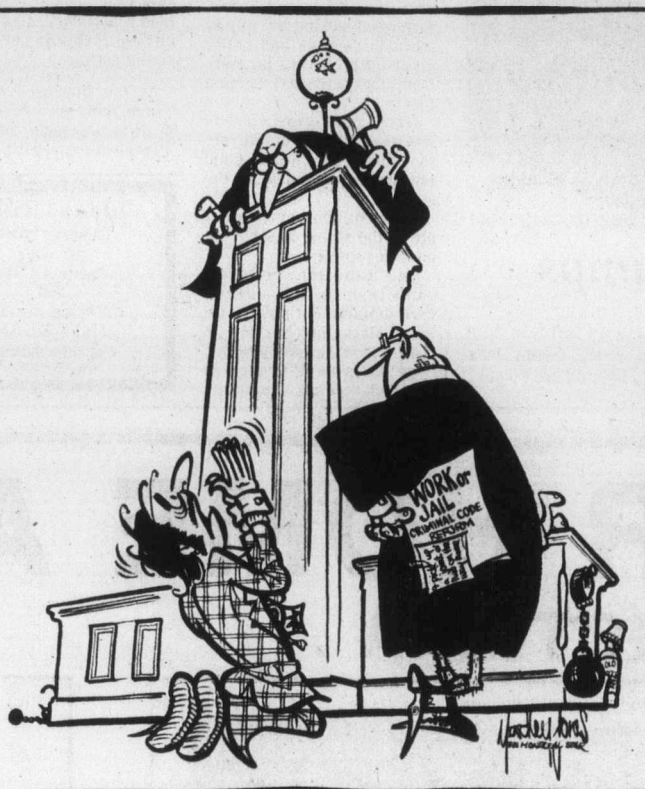
A medical milestone of incalculable importance may have been reached with the aid of two Ontario scientists. Schizophrenia may have been brought within the reach of broadly effective treatment.

Dr. Philip Seeman, professor and chairman of the department of pharmacology at the University of Toronto, and Dr. Tyrone Lee of the Ontario Mental Health Foundation are part of an international team involving colleagues in Vienna, Cambridge and Los Angeles which has uncovered evidence that there is a physical difference between people who suffer from schizophrenia and those who do not. They have done it by measuring, in post mortem examination, the numbers of a certain kind of receptor found in brain tissue. All but one of the brains taken from persons who had been schizophrenic

in life showed nearly double the number of receptors found in the brains of those who had not been schizophrenic. The remaining case was "borderline."

The whole question of organic reasons for mental derangements has been in vigorous contention for many years. As Dr. Seeman says, the discovery does not settle the argument of whether schizophrenia is caused by a biochemical defect or by early environmental influences — the excess receptors could be the brain's reaction to some external factor. But the excess of receptors does exist, and the receptors do react to chemicals, and there may, therefore, be a chemical solution for the schizophrenics who now occupy nearly half of all psychiatric beds in Ontario.

The achievement in which Dr. Seeman and Dr. Lee have shared is a large one.



"Oh! The shame, loss of reputation. Please sir — anything but work."

Building new life forms raises thorny questions

By CLIFF SMITH

Science and society must hammer out a new "contract" in a mine field of explosive biological and moral issues because of the advent of the gene-splicing technology called "recombinant DNA" research.

This is the view of Dr. June Goodfield of New York City, a science historian.

Goodfield wrote a detailed and heady analysis of the thorny dilemmas in a newly published book entitled "Playing God: Genetic Engineering and the Manipulation of Life" (Random House).

Goodfield explained in an interview that the "breakthrough" of recombinant technology, in which biologists are able to fuse together genetic materials of dissimilar species to create life forms that have never before existed, also has created the urgently felt need to resolve many related problems long deferred.

It is not just the potential dangers of "Brave New Bugs" which are troublesome, she points out, but a set of developments that together strongly suggest that man soon will be able not only to manipulate and remake himself but direct the evolution of all living things — if his work does not go awry.

"Scientists have already fertilized a human embryo in a test tube and, it is claimed, reimplanted it successfully in its mother's womb," she noted.

"They have fused the cell of a human with that of a tobacco plant; made hybrid cells between a yeast cell and the blood cell of a chick; between the cells of a man and a mouse; between the cells of a man and monkey."

"They have learned to clone whole plants and animals from single adult cells, changed the sex of a monkey in its mother's womb and taken a five-day-old embryo from the womb of one baboon and implanted it in the womb of another, who subsequently gave birth to a healthy offspring."

"In short, we are on our way to becoming technical masters of the living process."

In the application of such mastery, Goodfield notes, many agonizing, specific questions loom to test the wisdom of human judgment. A relatively minor example is the issue of "Surrogate motherhood."

One man, with an infertile wife, already has paid \$7,000 to a surrogate mother artificially impregnated by him. And it is now possible to take an egg cell from a woman, fertilize the egg in a test tube with sperm from her husband, then reimplant the fertilized egg into the uterus of a surrogate mother.

"Are we happy with the new concept of 'wombs for

rent'?" Goodfield asks. "Shall we regard this as no more than a 20th century extension of the medieval idea of a wet nurse? Are we willing to contemplate a situation where paying one set of women to bear children on behalf of others is regarded as a reasonable way of solving poverty and unemployment?"

For confirmed anti-scientists and impulsive dogooders, Goodfield poses equally difficult questions.

She describes, for instance, how a host of mankind's gravest problems — from cancer to the starvation of millions — may very well be solved by developments from ongoing experiments requiring recombinant DNA work.

Making judgments about such work, she said, "requires us to walk a tightrope between an excessive authoritarianism that stifles imagination and an unbridled license that can result in an intellectual or political anarchy."

She concludes that science and society will succeed in working out a "social contract" that provides adequate controls over dangerous experiments while preserving science's search for truth.

Today in History

1852 — Antoine Henri Becquerel, discoverer of radioactivity and recipient, with the Curies, of the 1903 Nobel Prize in physics, was born.

1917 — Armistice was signed for the First World War's Russian front.

1960 — King Baudouin of Belgium married Dona Fabiola de Moray Aragon of Spain.



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one man's opinion

ALL ABOUT TAXES, jobs and inflation.

By and large the Sacred government of William the Second has adhered to the promises placed before the electorate prior to the last provincial blood-letting. They are to be commended on the whole, but damned for the failure to follow through on the promise to reduce the burden of school taxation. The recently announced school financing formula would appear to add, rather than reduce, to the yoke around property owners' necks. Indeed, if Saanich school trustees are correct in their figuring, the formula will add 13 per cent to the school budget next year. No matter how you slice it, such an increase can only be justified through heavier taxation.

Education Minister Pat McGeer might not recall the platform promise of lower education taxation. Therefore, it behooves all of us to remind Premier Bennett, who in turn can remind Mr. McGeer. A promise is a promise is a promise.

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IT IS A LITTLE HARD to rate the loss of 69 jobs as an exodus. The loss of 69 jobs to a community would not normally create any lifting of eyebrows, wringing of hands or gnashing of teeth. But when it happens to Victoria by the sea, there is, I assure you, reason for concern.

The provincial government has decided to ship out 32 positions within the environment ministry and another 37 from the ministry of consumer and corporate affairs. Some of the positions will be spread to the boondocks, many will end up in Vancouver. Chamber of Commerce president Allan Emery has already expressed his concern to the government and Emery needs a lot of backing for his mini-crusade.

You see, Victoria is a little different, just as Ottawa is a little different. There is no bona fide reason for Ottawa's existence other than as the capital of Canada. It is not a manufacturing city, it is not a winter or summer tourist centre — without the draw of the national capital. Had Queen Victoria not decided, possibly on a passing whim, that Bytown would be a fine place for the nation's capital, Ottawa would still be a somnolent little town beside the Ottawa River.

Government is its very life-blood, its total justification for city status and the only reason why some 350,000 Canadians live there. The whole economy of the place is government, bureaucracy or whatever.

Victoria is slightly different. Victoria would have a reasonable population without government, if for no other reason than the salubrious climate and the breath-taking beauty. But the Greater Victoria area would be far short of the 200,000 population it now boasts if the seat of government was elsewhere.

So while the loss of 69 jobs would seem to be a rather picaresque reason for confrontation with government, the monetary loss is significant to the continued well-being of Victoria's economy — roughly \$1.1 million — so any erosion is too great an erosion. This is the seat of government and any and all attempts to whittle away at the Victoria strength, should be fought right down the line.

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QUESTION. Why are certain members of the provincial civil service still looking for their retroactive pay increase cheques? Civil servants received roughly six per cent in wage increases this year, with the increase being retroactive to Aug. 1. It was originally figured these cheques would not be processed until sometime in January. However, most civil servants have already received them — with the exception of one group — the janitors. Even some of the janitor foremen have been paid, but not the janitors themselves. Malfunxion in the computer system? Or what? The janitors, I'm sure, feel like second class citizens when they find the rest of the work force has been brought up to date.

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WORKERS at the Falconbridge Nickel Mines have given us all renewed faith in the basic good in human man. Members of the Mine, Mill and Smelter Union showed compassion for fellow workers runs pretty deep. They voted unanimously to share the burden of those faced with layoffs in the near future. Some 750 will be getting the pink slip, but those who will still have employment say they will work less hours (thereby getting less pay) so that all workers can continue with at least partial employment. I am my brother's keeper takes on added lustre when a bunch of workers are willing to make such a sacrifice and it is to be hoped the company will accept the most unselfish proposal.

Don't be smug about Mounties

I remember during the Nixon-Watergate fiasco in the United States feeling very smug and thinking that couldn't happen here. We wouldn't tolerate all that executive privilege and national security brand of nonsense.

After all no one, king nor pauper, is above the law. I remember thinking, maybe Americans don't understand this but we Canadians certainly do and our leaders wouldn't try this special privilege stuff on us.

I am not so sure anymore. Right now in the House of Commons Trudeau, Fox, and the Liberals are feeding us exactly that line. They appear to be covering up illegal acts with the justification that the RCMP needs powers above the law to fight illegal and sometimes not illegal acts by the RCMP breaking the law.

Most people agree that the RCMP needs special powers to fight terrorism, espionage, and subversion, but they, like the rest of us, must get those powers through legislation and the courts.

Do we then have a Watergate in Canada? If Warren Allmand and Francis Fox, the previous

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Pick of Punch



"... furthermore we find it intolerable that you should be playing several instruments when so many musicians are out of a job!"

To the editor

Statements misleading

In reply to the comments of Sunday's Reporters Notebook.

The statements re: Financial arrangements for our lawyer are false and misleading and not the true facts from the Concerned Citizens of B.C.

Only the president of the Concerned Citizens of B.C. has the authority to make any news releases, and certainly did not release this information.

This petty reporting by your paper is not in keeping with the reporting done in the past of facts and works done by our organization.

Without the sincere efforts of all concerned citizens of B.C., R. A. Price, labor council, fisherman's union, local ratepayers groups, and the other dedicated groups, we would have had another raw sewage outfall operating at the Esquimalt Lagoon and more raw sewage on our beaches.

FRANK HEINRICH,
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Concerned Citizens of B.C.,
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Victoria.

Capitalism

Inco workers were said to favor nationalization of Inco to save their jobs. Perhaps they should confer with the workers of the state-owned post office who have been struggling for years to save their jobs against the economizing of automation. They cheered their union messiahs and NDP political mystics who promised agitation for government intervention. It seems they never heard of the Saskatchewan CCF government-owned box factory that closed back in 1947 because its workers wanted higher wages or less productivity, thereby eclipsing profits.

These leftist utopians have yet to offer examples of state capitalism operating differently from the private variety, while they bury their heads in the sand and trust the media dogma that the state functions for all. Unemployment has been common, though often disguised, in the police state capitalist countries of Russia and its satellites.

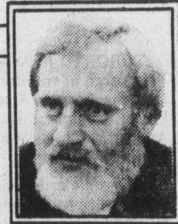
Some Sudbury families are reported to be bitter after a lifetime of loyalty and sweat counting so little against company profits, to now be left out in the cold. But nothing more should be expected under a system where 90 per cent of society is exploited for the acquisitive interests of the few who monopolize the means of life, and polluting the natural environment in the process.

Goods and facilities are produced primarily for sale-profit, not to satisfy human needs. Notable in this regard is the fact that Canadian government loans to its plants in Guatemala and Indonesia coincided with private charity appeals to feed starving children in those countries.

The chasm between the real and the wish can be bridged, by tossing away the crying towels, doubting the hidebound proselitizing of capital, and entertaining the alternative of free access, common ownership and democratic control of the means of life, based upon voluntary co-operation, according to ability. Capitalism is defunct.

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Civic Scene by Hubert Beyer



Heritage designation is a worthwhile objective as far as Victoria city council is concerned, provided nobody objects. Council bravely designated residential buildings as heritage structures, brushing aside objections in the safe knowledge that not much was to be feared from individual homeowners.

After all, what chance does a little guy have to sue the city, even if he can scrape up enough cash?

So, there wasn't really much that could happen as a result of some objections to residential heritage designation. But the designation of commercial buildings is a different matter. Thirty such designations were before city council last Tuesday, and when a bank and a developer objected, the aldermen ran scared.

They tabled the designation bylaws, pending advice from the city solicitor, which seems the responsible thing to do, at least on the surface.

But might we ask why council didn't seek such advice before? Certainly the aldermen should have anticipated some objections.

One of the objecting parties was the Bank of Montreal

which didn't want its building at 50-56 Bastion Square designated as a heritage structure.

The bank sent a lawyer to explain to council why it didn't want to have anything to do with heritage at that site. Hiring a lawyer is more right off the bat than most of the homeowners whose houses were designated could afford.

The lawyer told council for the better part of an hour that the building wasn't of any architectural value and that designation would also adversely affect the property value. On the other hand, the bank had magnanimously instructed him to assure council that as a good corporate citizen, it would do nothing ever to disturb the architectural harmony of Bastion Square.

Considering the track record of banks in general, and keeping in mind their love for glass and concrete palaces, council might be well advised to take that assurance with a grain of salt.

Another objection came from a developer, E.J. Butler, who wants to build a six-storey, 150-room motel at Belleville and Oswego. The development is to be wrapped around the Captain's Palace restaurant, which is also to be designated a heritage structure.

Butler gave a verbal assurance to council which should be looked at very closely. He said he was willing to leave 35 feet of space between the restaurant and his building, but he wanted the empty lot, adjacent to the restaurant, taken out of the list of properties to be designated.

Butler said the 35 feet would accommodate a driveway of sorts. He hinted that this driveway might lead to "future amenities" of his motel development, perhaps a swimming pool.

I can see the Captain's Palace on one side of the driveway and a bare concrete wall with garbage cans on the other. Certainly a possibility that shouldn't be ignored.

Why council held back with its designation bylaws, I'll never know. Just because a bank and a developer coughed, wasn't reason enough. Whenever an elected body does something extraordinary, there will be vested interests that object.

Council wasn't swayed by the odd objection from homeowners; why run scared when businesses kick and scream?

If the bank can't build a modern structure in Bastion Square, that's too bad for the bank, and if a developer has to adjust his plans to accommodate the aspirations of the community and the city's quality of life, that's too bad for the developer.

But it's good for the rest of us, and that's what counts, or should count.

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Newly-elected Ald. William McElroy got his first taste of frustration last week.

Neither he nor his colleagues on council liked the plans for a 34-suite apartment building to be constructed at 1060 Linden at a cost of \$590,000.

But, alas, there was nothing he or his colleagues could do about it. The developers, Krieger and Stricker, are acting within all zoning and building regulations and they don't have to give two hoots about the aldermen's opinion.

They also don't have to listen to the Advisory Design Panel, because that body's function is a purely advisory one. The only way out would be a strict design bylaw, but that gets us back to the old question of whether taste can be legislated. Most politicians shy away from such legislation, but it'll have to come sooner or later.

There have been too many examples of developers, builders and architects ignoring the public's capacity for assessing the design merits of certain projects.

Council is in a good position to exert some pressure where the applicant needs a zoning change, but when a proposal is within all zoning and building regulations, conforming to density and setback requirements, we have to take what the developers give us.

And nobody can tell me that this is a desirable state of affairs.

'Glory of Fidel Castro'

Fidel Castro looks back to a letter from President Roosevelt in 1940 as "the start of his fame" (Colonist Dec. 7). He would do well to remember the help given to him by William Wieland, a career diplomat with the U.S. State Department and career communist sympathizer.

Wieland knew Castro in 1948 and was later appointed to head the State Department's Caribbean desk under President Eisenhower.

The Senate Internal Security Subcommittee reported in 1960-61 that Wieland was the author of the fatal arms embargo which cut off munitions shipments to the anti-communist dictator Batista while

Castro was being supplied by sources in Florida and by Russian submarines. Similar State Department action ten years earlier had crippled Chiang Kai-shek's army and permitted the communists to come to power in China.

Wieland managed to remove all anti-Castro diplomats from influential positions, such as Arthur Gardner, Cuba ambassador. Aided by such influential Americans as New York Times reporter Herbert Matthews whose front page articles in the New York Times early in 1957 served to inflate Castro to world stature and create a romantic

Scene reflects joys

At this time of year we are faced with so much commercialism, both in stores and on radio and television. There is however, one store (that I have noticed) in Victoria that has a window display bereft of commercialism and depicting only a charming woodland scene reflecting the joys of the holiday season — Eaton's of course.

This window, as well as the lovely banking of poinsettias inside the store, is one reason I shop "downtown", and I hope council continues to make efforts to keep downtown Victoria alive.

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Open the door to negotiations

The second session of the British Columbia Assembly ended recently following a debate on the Essential Services Disputes Act, called Bill 92.

In the vote the Conservative and Liberal members, who had both given commendable speeches in support, voted with the Socialists. The NDP voted against the act which in essence was designed to limit the power of unions designated as essential services in disrupting services before certain conditions being met during negotiations.

It would be unfair and irresponsible to suggest that the NDP supported illegal strikes or defiance of government orders to return to work, but it could be reasonably assumed that their negative vote strengthened the truculent assertions made by some union leaders in which they openly stated they would support defiance of Bill 92; this was further enhanced by Mr. Barrett's plea for union support at their recent convention and their singing rather repetitiously the word solidarity. One wonders if in their deliberations they sing O Canada.

On the other side of the coin, what would have been the outcome if the NDP, no matter how reluctantly had supported Bill 92? Those unions which were expressing themselves as prepared to defy the law would have realized they did not have a friend in court and the whole weight of parliamentary authority was against them and their illegal actions. We could have anticipated a measure of labor peace. Unfortunately this was not the case and the NDP must accept any misgivings the electorate may have towards them; while they did not condone illegal

activity by unions or management they certainly did not condemn this defiance of the law of the land.

Dependent on people's memories, the prospective election in Oak Bay may give some indication of public reaction.

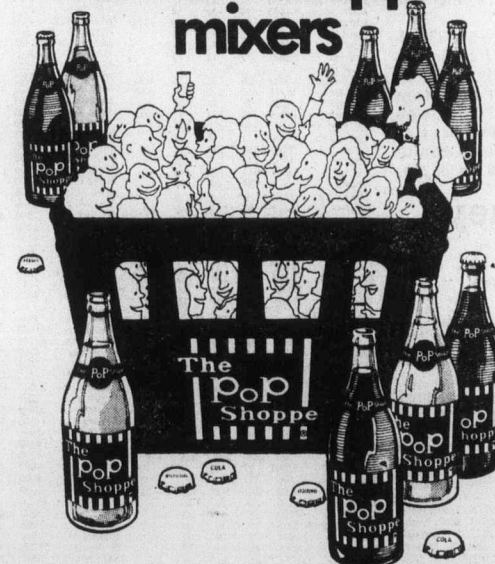
The electorate of this province, and this includes members of unions, are the ones who suffer from the disruption and withholding of services. The public have no knowledge of what takes place behind the closed doors in union negotiations, in view of the fact that the highest courts in the land (Parliament, Law Courts, etc.) are open to public scrutiny. A further limiting factor, which cannot be construed as anti-union should be promulgated, in that all meetings which are concerned with labor negotiations be open to public scrutiny would also have a tendency to make both sides of the table act with more restraint and moderation.

I can see nothing unfair or prejudicial as it exposes both sides of the argument and it is the general public who in the final analysis are the recipients of the results — be it failure or agreement of the negotiations. The rank and file members of either faction at the bargaining table, together with their associates and dependants, would have the opportunity of making an individual decision and not have to rely on what each side cared to divulge along with their exhortations for their recommended actions.

The public might have some understanding of what that bandied around expression "meaningful negotiations" means.

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Fifty per cent of businessmen in the United States expect an economic recession in the United States within two years and 15 per cent think one will occur within a year,

says a new poll released Wednesday. The poll, known as the Business Confidence Survey, was conducted during October and November by the Gallup Economic Service and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

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TORONTO (CP) — Canadian stock exchanges will close Boxing Day, Dec. 26, and Monday, Jan. 2 for two long weekends during the Christmas and New Year holiday period.

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Canadian exchanges will close at noon Dec. 23, but will be open Jan. 30—the Friday before Christmas and New Year.

All major markets will be open as usual on Tuesday, Jan. 3.

Support not there

Dollar downhill champion

From AP—REUTER
LONDON (CP) — The United States dollar plunged to record lows against major West European currencies Wednesday and the Japanese yen today.

European dealers reported no market support for the dollar and openly wondered how much farther it would fall.

"The market's so confused right now that no one knows what's going on," one Frankfurt dealer said.

For the second day the U.S. currency fell to new lows against the West German mark, the Swiss and Belgian francs, and the Dutch guilder. It dropped to an 18-month low against the French franc and a 14-month low against the Italian lira. Gold prices rose as much as \$3 an ounce.

In Tokyo, the dollar plunged to 238 yen. It closed at 240.25 Wednesday.

The Bank of Japan intervened almost immediately to support the dollar and about an estimated \$100 million in the first hour of today's trading.

The main cause of the recent sharp drop is the reluctance of U.S. monetary authorities to support the currency, coupled with the difficulties European state banks have in absorbing huge amounts of dollars to steady the rate, experts said.

The year-long decline of the dollar makes American goods cheaper on foreign markets and foreign goods more expensive in the United States. Theoretically this should cut back the big U.S. trade deficit. While the

Carter administration has denied any such intention, many Europeans feel it well-comes the dollar decline for that reason.

The dramatic slide accelerated Tuesday following Monday's meeting of central bankers in Basel, Switzerland, during which the U.S. said it had no immediate plans to revise monetary policy to halt the decline.

In one of the sharpest daily falls ever recorded, the U.S. dollar lost almost 1.5 percent of its value against the strong Swiss currency to record a late rate of 2.0670 Swiss francs Wednesday. Tuesday's rate had been 2.1025, then a record low.

One Zurich dealer said in an allusion to skiing, his nation's favorite sport: "There is only one thing which is

certain. The dollar is the new downhill world champion."

The U.S. dollar fell in Frankfurt by almost a penny and a half Wednesday to reach a late rate of 2.1340 West German marks. Seven years ago the dollar was worth more than four marks. Tuesday's rate was 2.1475 marks.

The consensus among bankers and dealers seemed to be that the dollar will continue to decline in the near future.

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VANCOUVER (CP) — All the trends of 1977—strong lumber prices, disastrous pulp markets and quiet labor—are expected to continue well into next year, say most leaders of the British Columbia forest industry.

"At this time, we don't expect any change," said Ken Benson, president of B.C. Forest Products Ltd.

Others repeated Benson's comment, saying their biggest problem will be the bad pulp market. Pulp sales slumped earlier this year, leaving world producers with a total inventory of more than 2.7 million tons. In British Columbia, pulp inventories are 800,000 tons, double normal levels.

A number of the province's 20 pulp mills have periodically closed or slowed production this year to control inventory. After a climbing trend for 2½ years took prices to \$415 a metric ton, pulp plummeted last July and now hovers just above the \$300 mark.

"It is trying to find a floor and we hope it won't go much lower than \$300," said Ron Gross, president of Canadian Cellulose Ltd. "There has been continued pricing pressure and that will probably continue into the first quarter of 1978."

On the brighter side, predictions that housing starts in the United States, Brit-

ish Columbia's prime market, will be at least 1.7 million next year indicate lumber prices will stay strong.

The estimate is slightly down from this year's starts of 1.9 million that helped push lumber prices to record levels in mid-summer. Prices have since fallen off by at least 20 per cent.

"We expect lumber prices will be fairly stable and markets strong for the first half of next year at least," said Don Lanskil, president of the Council of Forest Industries of British Columbia.

The industry's fortunes this year benefited most from a factor beyond its control—devaluation of the Canadian dollar. Benson estimated that each one-cent drop in the dollar raised his company's share earnings by 22 cents.

One happy note in the industry is the assurance of relative labor peace for the next 18 months.

Employer representatives and the industry's three unions—the International Woodworkers of America, the Canadian Paperworkers Union and the Pulp and Paperworkers of Canada—worked out two-year contracts, effective June, 1977, without the work stoppages that plagued previous negotiations.

Quarter staff going

HAMILTON (CP) — International Harvester Co. of Canada Ltd. announced Wednesday that 400 employees, or 25 per cent of its work force, will be laid off in 1978.

Officials of Local 2868, United Steelworkers of America, which represents the workers, were told in a meeting with the company that the layoffs, expected to occur in March, were necessary because of a lack of orders.

Local president Bill Lake said that "it's bad news, especially at this time."

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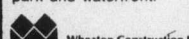
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Alcan	May 227 1/2	2	193	165	227 1/2	
Alcan	May 227 1/2	2	193	165	227 1/2	
Alcan	Apr 127 1/2	1	156	85	110 1/2	
Asams	Jul 117 1/2	7	76	120	110 1/2	
Asams	Jul 117 1/2	4	76	120	110 1/2	
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SCHOOL JOBS DOUBT LINGERS DESPITE LEGAL WRANGLINGS

The lawyers had their go at each other at a Labor Relations Board hearing; but when the dust had cleared the future of 49 Greater Victoria school board employees was just as indefinite Wednesday evening as it was that morning.

The hearing between the school board and CUPE locals 382 and 947 was over whether the school board had the right to chop 57 positions, 55 of them covered by union agreements, on 30 days notice. If the LRB arbitration panel rules for the school board, the decision could have enormous ramifications for other CUPE locals.

Because the union has questioned the legality of the staff reductions, the school board has asked the LRB to give a "declaratory opinion" on the language in the union contract.

Central to the debate is a clause in the contract which states that "except in the case of dismissal for proper cause, the board may terminate the employment of any regular employee upon giving the employee one month's previous notice."

It adds that employees can end their employment with the school board by giving it one month's notice.

The clause gives the board the right to reduce its staff by the 57-job complement without consideration of seniority provisions, he argued, adding that just because it had the right did not mean

that the board intends to exercise it in every case.

The board would prefer to negotiate with the union on which employees would be dismissed, Giles said, without being bound by strict seniority rules.

The school board's problem is that the 57 jobs encompass 28 different job classifications, and while seniority provisions can be honored within each job classification, application of union-wide seniority would result in chaos, with electricians ending up as janitors or vice-versa, Giles said.

The contract contains a provision dealing with layoffs, but the permanent nature of the reductions, which reflect declining enrolment in the school district, makes it questionable whether they are layoffs; and since the layoff clause calls for application of union-wide seniority, the employer would prefer to use its powers under the other clause, which requires only one month's notice.

"If the seniority provision has to be strictly followed, the staff reductions will involve a considerable expense to the board, they would involve no negotiation at all, and there would be 'bumping' (of less-senior employees by those with more seniority) all along the line," Giles said.

Gow responded that "in the modern labor relations of the seventh decade of

the 20th Century, the board is assuming a prerogative as absolute as that enjoyed by the Stuart kings of 300 to 400 years ago."

"Men employed with the board for a quarter of a century are about to be thrown out as discards and scrap."

Donald Munroe, chairman of the arbitration panel, noted that a clause could be used to get rid of employees without just cause.

The existence of the clause also negates the intent of other clauses dealing with layoffs, under the school board interpretation, Munroe said.

"If you interpret a clause in a contract in such a way so that you obliterate other clauses, then it is natural to see if there isn't some other explanation for the meaning of the clause," he said.

But Giles replied that the clause is quite clear, and the arbitration panel had a choice between "interpreting its plain language, or ignoring it altogether."

After hearing the arguments on the case, Munroe sent both sides into mediation with the other two members of the arbitration panel, John Billings and Arnold Smith, but no agreements on how the job reduction can be made were reached.

Further mediation is planned for Dec. 21 and 22.

Servants may park-and-ride

Victoria's free downtown bus service to go into operation today could eventually be expanded to provide a park-and-ride system for civil servants, according to Recreation and Conservation Minister Sam Bawlf.

The minister, who is in charge of the legislative precinct, pointed to the necessity of reducing the number of

cars brought into the precinct by civil servants.

He said about 3,000 cars an hour pass the legislative buildings when civil servants go to work or head home.

The city's two-week trial scheme of providing free downtown bus service will start today. The shuttle bus will run from The Bay to Humboldt along Douglas and back on Government. The bus is free and will run every five minutes.

Bawlf said by expanding the route one block south to the Legislature and two or three blocks north to some large parking area, a park-and-ride system could be launched that would keep hundreds of cars out of the city core.

A few days ago, the minister announced that the government planned to phase out

surface parking lots in residential areas south of Michigan, between Government and Menzies.

BATtag: 11 out of 407

Police said Wednesday night they expected the BATmobile to flush out a larger number of drinking drivers than the night before when the score was 11 out of a possible 407.

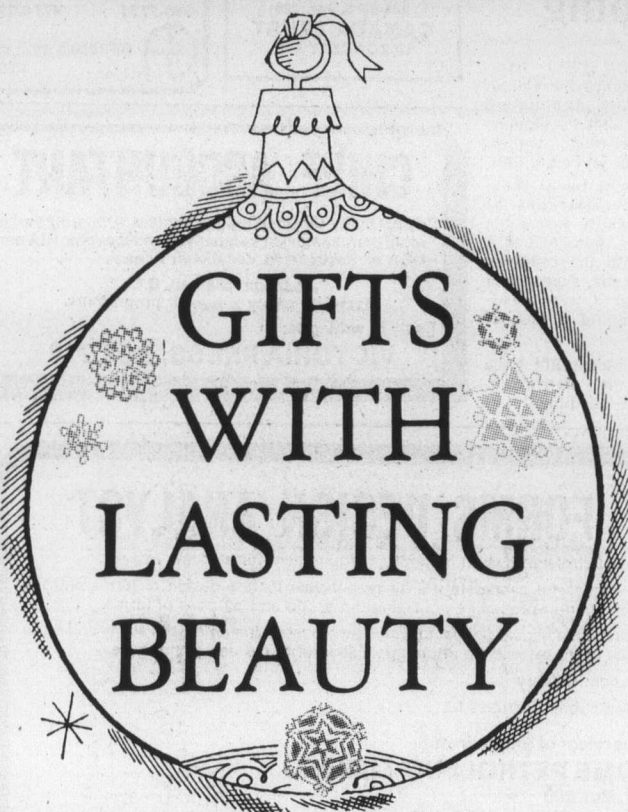
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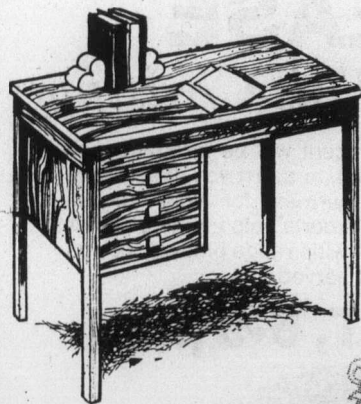
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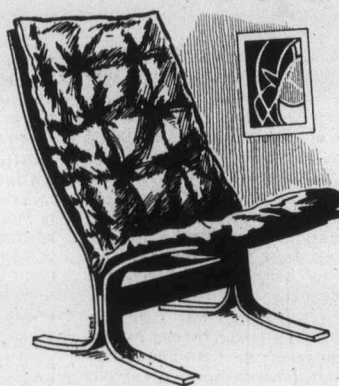


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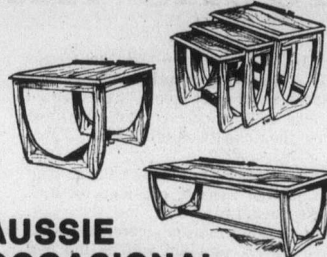
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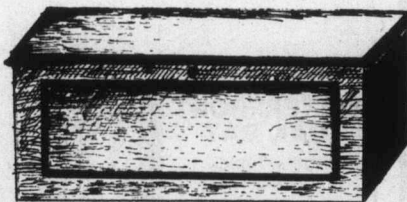
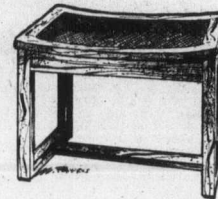
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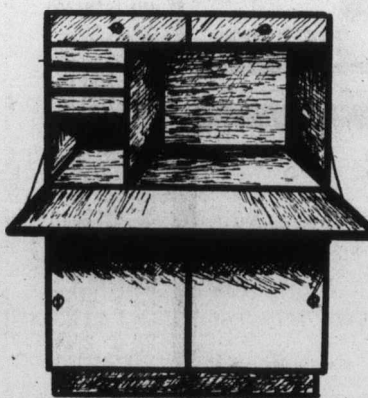
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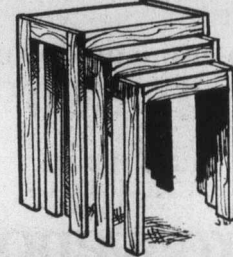


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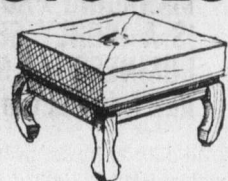


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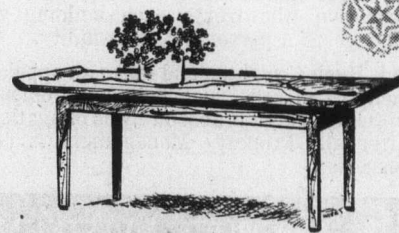


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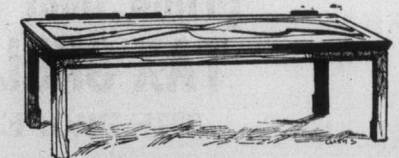
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Victoria arrest

Police testify
to statement

CALGARY (CP) — A man charged with murdering a city taxi driver in February made a statement to police shortly after he was arrested March 3 in Victoria, admitting he struck the victim with a rock, an Alberta Supreme Court jury was told Tuesday.

Six Victoria policemen testified that Christian Francis Ploug Kjeldsen, 27, told them about the slaying of Glenda Ferster, 20, and that he escaped from the Alberta Hospital, near Edmonton, to Victoria.

Kjeldsen is charged with first-degree murder in the death of Miss Ferster, whose body was found March 1 west of here.

Miss Ferster disappeared Feb. 23 when she took a male passenger to Banff.

Sgt. Edward James of Victoria told the jury Kjeldsen told him he left the mental institution Feb. 23 on day parole.

James testified Kjeldsen gave him two versions of how he arrived in Victoria.

He said Kjeldsen told him he "decided to take off" when he arrived in Edmonton, and hitch-hiked to Red Deer, then to Calgary, then to Banff and Lake Louise, eventually arriving in Vancouver Feb. 25, and in Victoria Feb. 26.

Kjeldsen was picked up by two Victoria policemen March 3 as he was sitting on a street bench, reading a book and smoking a pipe.

After James cautioned Kjeldsen and told him police were investigating the death of a woman taxi driver, Kjeldsen changed his story, court was told.

He then told James he flew from Edmonton to Calgary and took a taxi to the city centre, asking the woman driver how much the fare was to Banff, and arranging to have her pick him up later.

Court was told Kjeldsen said that on the way to Banff, he put a pocket knife to the woman's throat, directed her down a side road and raped her.

Court was told he said he then tied her hands behind her back and continued toward Banff, but stopped when he thought her hands were getting loose.

Outside the car, she "jumped up and started fighting" when he tried to find out whether her hands were still tied, Kjeldsen said, and he "threw her down and started hitting her with a rock."

"When I left her, she was still alive," Kjeldsen was quoted as saying.

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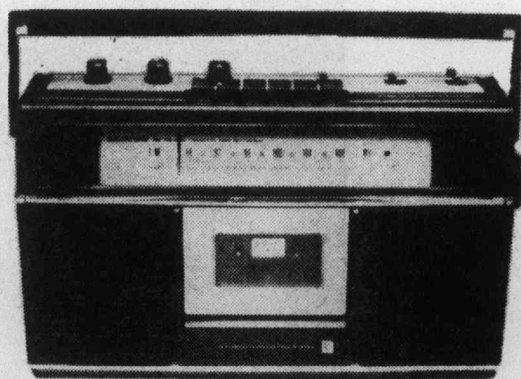
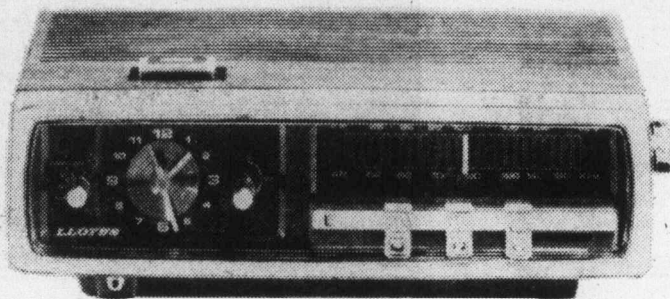
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Ontario bans radar finders

TORONTO (CP) — Legislation to ban the use or possession of radar detection devices in motor vehicles was given final approval in the legislature Tuesday.

The bill needs only royal assent to become law.

The legislation bans devices designed to warn of police radar traps. The instruments, sold under various brand names, detect the impulses from the radar.

The bill was passed with two minor amendments.

One, proposed by Solicitor-General John MacBeth, allows the transport of the devices in sealed packages from a manufacturer to a purchaser outside Ontario. The other, introduced by Jim Foulds (NDP — Port Arthur) restricts slightly the right of police to search for such devices.

Originally, the bill allowed police to search a car they believed contained such an instrument. The NDP argued that that would allow police to break into a parked car.

Foulds' amendment allows police to stop and search a car they believe has a radar detector, removing the wider power to break into empty cars.

MacBeth also said police would be allowed some discretion in dealing with U.S. tourists who might have the devices installed.

Tourists might be allowed to store the devices in their trunks or disable them, the legislature was told.

Rim park hearings urged

Full-scale public hearings into boundary discussions for Pacific Rim National Park were called for Tuesday by Robert Skelly (NDP—Alberni).

Skelly said conflicts had developed in the Long Beach section of the park over services to be provided in the area. The federal government had refused to become involved in the provision of water and sewer services in Tofino and Ucluelet, although new and expanded facilities were required in both communities to meet demands created by the park, Skelly said.

With the new boundaries designed to include the West Coast Trail, Skelly said Bamfield would soon be surrounded by the park, with no buffer zone for future development.

To clear the air, he said, public hearings should be held in Vancouver, Victoria, Tofino, Ucluelet, Bamfield and Port Alberni before Phase Three boundaries were imposed.

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What farmland? ask Blenkinsop residents

How green will be the Blenkinsop Valley? was the philosophical question debated this week by members of Saanich's lands, planning and housing committee.

Kenneth Patterson, 4264 Blenkinsop, sparked a lively debate by aldermen with his contention that there is no viable farmland left above the 185-foot contour and land below that contour was insufficient to support one viable farm.

"WE TAKE EXCEPTION to any

pressure groups and people dictating to council what we should do and the way we should do things, and we do not accept any downzoning of our property or its exemption from the development area," he said.

Patterson said for the last eight years valley residents had stood silently by and listened to pressure groups and individuals tell valley land owners what they may or may not do with their land.

Increasing traffic on Blenkinsop

Road was creating a hazard for livestock and people and "some type of settlement must occur in this area soon."

ALD. FRED SEVERSON, who supported Patterson, said it was easy for recent valley residents to demand the valley remain green "but what happens to the farmer who is losing money. Should he not be given an opportunity to get out from under?"

He said some people owning land in

the valley zoned for five-acre lots were living on a fixed income and couldn't afford to keep their properties undeveloped.

Ald. Ian Cass, recalling that council last month endorsed a resolution defining the valley's boundaries and committing the area to rural and agricultural use in perpetuity, said: "If we have to upset people out to make a fast buck, that's too damn bad."

ALD. DAVID PATERSON said

many people want to protect the valley "but who do we ask to hold the land in perpetuity?"

He suggested the provincial government should play a key role in acquiring land as it became available under the Greenbelt Act and lease it back to tenant farmers.

A NEW FRONT in the Saanich war on development occurred a few weeks ago with the creation of the Saanich Greenbelt Association, a group whose

main aim is retarding or completely halting all future development in the valley.

The Blenkinsop Valley Ratepayers' Association, whose membership includes a number of those who own land in the valley, was reactivated last month.

Council has already agreed to meet early next year with valley residents in an attempt to allay fears about the future of their land.



—Colonist photo by Ian McKinn

Old but new

Perpetuating ancient craft of silver-smithing, Brian Anderson textures earrings with roundhead hammer at Circle Crafts Society's Christmas fair at their

premises at 434 Kingston. Exhibition and sale of work of local craftsman continues through Saturday night.

Oak Bay 'screwed'

By NANCY BROWN
Colonist reporter

The people of Oak Bay are being "screwed again" by the chairman of the Capital Region, an irate Ald. Shirley Dowell charged Wednesday.

Dowell was reacting to her exclusion from the region's public works committee when chairman Jim Campbell announced his committee appointments.

"Our municipality is paying 38 per cent of the cost of a \$4 million project (Clover-McMicking sanitary sewer system) and certainly one representative from Oak Bay should be part of the decision making," Mrs. Dowell commented after the meeting.

"Let the people of Oak Bay know that they are being screwed again by the chairman of the CRD," she added.

Dowell said the only reason she could think of for her exclusion would be that some

sort of a structure is still being planned for the golf course or for Shoal Bay. The district had planned a sewage pump station for Shoal Bay, but objections from local residents forced a change of plans.

Mrs. Dowell had first objected to her exclusion from the committee when the appointments were announced, but Campbell said he had noted her objections and was not prepared to make changes, or to discuss the matter at this point.

He had, he said, "done what I had to do."

She also objected to parts of Campbell's report to the board, with references to Shoal Bay residents which she said were completely uncalled for.

Describing the residents of the region, Campbell said they wanted their police and fire services as good as they could be, and did not expect

problems of jurisdiction to get in the way.

"They are not happy about marine disposal of sewage, but they will accept long outfalls as a stage in an upgrading process."

"They are probably shocked at the short outfall proposed for the McMicking Point area, but they are so pleased that a pumping station isn't going to be necessary on the beach that they only grumble quietly."

Also in his report, Campbell suggested that what the region needed is a mayor elected at large so that at least one board member represented an area larger than his own particular "parish". At present each director is elected to represent a particular area.

"I believe that in politics the source of authority defines the role, and in these matters regional districts

sometimes have difficulty in rising above being an assembly of not-too-co-operative parishes," said Campbell.

Election of a mayor at large, he felt was the only way to bring the real concept of regionalism into the board.

Turning to the water problems in the Saanich peninsula Campbell said hardly any residents understood why a corporation owned by three municipalities had total control over the sale of water from the only source that could truly meet the needs of the region as a whole.

"Those who live in the peninsula were gratified when the minister of municipal affairs and housing took the first bold steps to rationalize the peninsula water problems. I think they want him to take the next step now and make water a fully regional function."

In his committee appointments Campbell removed

Victoria Ald. Murray Glazier from the chairmanship of the public works committee, making him instead chairman of a regional planning committee expanded to include economic development. Sooke director Charles Perkins was appointed public works chairman.

Mrs. Dowell was given the chairmanship of the newly formed regional grants committee, and new director, Victoria Ald. Bob Wright was appointed chairman of the regional parks committee.

Metochin's Mac Tipton was appointed chairman of the local works and services committee, and Langford director Howard Drummond was named chairman of the local planning and zoning committee.

Saanich Ald. Fred Severson was appointed to take the place of the retired William Noel as chairman of the community health and services committee.

Advisers urged for region

Tourist pays bill

Nine months of deliberations ended up on the Capital Region Board's lap Wednesday with a recommendation that an advisory commission be formed.

That recommendation was accompanied by the information that tourism is the number one generator of regional income, followed by government.

This report from the volunteer economic advisory committee was given to the board by committee chairman Peter Pollen, who said the 33-page document had been largely produced by regional planner Peter Hammer.

Pollen said that the region's secondary industries are important and consideration should be given to tax concessions to keep small industries viable.

The report recommended that an economic advisory commission be formed, and that the region board should endorse economic planning and development as a matter of high priority.

The board should provide funds for the commission and assume responsibility for the office of economic development commissioner.

Pollen also recommended

an improvement in the quality, content and distribution of promotional literature on the economic, social, cultural and natural attributes of the region.

The board should also coordinate the actions of public and private agencies interested in the promotion of tourism, and encourage businesses serving government departments to locate in Victoria.

Hammer said that in 1976 Victoria sold \$745 million worth of goods and services to

outside markets, while purchasing \$975 million worth.

The factor which saved Victoria from a strong deficit in transactions was the 390 million tourist dollars which came into the city.

Second highest generator of revenue in the region were the provincial and federal governments which had generated some \$100 million to \$150 million in net revenue.

It was decided to refer the report to the regional planning and economic development committee.

NEW POLICE CHIEF PICKED FOR OAK BAY

Oak Bay's new police chief will be a Vancouver police inspector with 26 years of senior command experience.

Mayor Brian Smith announced Wednesday that 50-year-old Irving Bailey won out over 83 other candidates in a search which began in August when Chief John Green, 55, announced his retirement from the 22-man force.

Bailey has been offered a five-year contract and is expected to take over Jan. 2.

Insp. Jack Groves, who was acting chief after Green left in August, was one of the numerous applicants for the position.

Bailey has had 12 years as a constable in Vancouver's patrol and traffic divisions, three years in general investigation and criminal intelligence, and three years as a sergeant and staff sergeant in narcotics, patrol and special squad units.

Jail fears lingering

The Saanich Greenbelt Association is not convinced that the B.C. Corrections Branch has given up its efforts to use the Seven Oaks Home in the Blenkinsop Valley as a containment centre for juveniles.

Association president Mrs. Irene Block, instructed by the membership to pursue the matter with government officials, said Wednesday the human resources ministry wants the property for use in a program involving handicapped patients from Glendale Hospital "but it's still possible the attorney-general's department will also make a strong recommendation to cabinet."

The decision on the future use of the property will be made by the cabinet.

Mrs. Block was asked to make the inquiries after the association was told last week not to take too seriously statements by a senior branch official that his group was backing off from trying to acquire the former children's rehabilitation centre.

William Jack, regional director of corrections for Vancouver island, said recently the branch was asking the Family Court Committee to help seek another site because of concern over com-

munity reaction and the substantial cost of renovations. Saanich council, the greenbelt group and the Blenkinsop Valley Ratepayers' association have carried motions opposed to use of the home as a centre for hard-core juvenile offenders.

Church seared

An overheated light was blamed by Saanich firemen Wednesday night for a small fire that broke out in the newly-erected Church of the Nazarene on the north end of Quadra Street near the Patricia Bay Highway. Firemen said damage was slight.

Donors flow into clinic

A record 400 donors gave blood at a donor clinic at CFB Naden Wednesday, a Red Cross official reported. Today's clinic at Newcombe Auditorium is from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and the need for blood is still high, she said.

Obstetrics move goes to study amid emotion

Emotion ruled the day at the Capital Region Hospital Board Wednesday as board members were persuaded to ask the hospital and health planning commission to review its decision to move obstetrics and newborn services to the proposed Helmecken Road hospital.

Representatives of Victoria pediatricians making a presentation to directors, were accompanied by four women who repeatedly interrupted the meeting, accusing directors at one point of forcing a division of obstetrics and pediatrics even if it meant people would die.

Dr. Basil Boulton said his group had always advocated the unification of pediatrics and obstetrics in one centre.

The latest decision by the region's hospital planning commission was illogical and wrong, said Boulton. It first accepted the principle of unification, then negated that decision by recommending the placement of obstetrics and newborn services at Helmecken in phase one, scheduled for completion in 1981, and placing pediatrics in the same hospital in the phase scheduled for completion in 1986.

"No moneys have been allocated at this time for phase 2 construction," Boulton pointed out. "The decision by the commission if unaltered has ensured the separation of pediatrics from obstetrics and newborn services for a minimum of five years, and recent television comments about a two year separation notwithstanding, probably for 10 years, perhaps forever."

"Equally importantly, it has totally disregarded the requirements made abundantly clear by the pediatricians for a comprehensive

centre with full subspecialty, diagnostic and treatment facilities for children without the need for ambulance transfer."

The pediatricians, he said, had been accused of being unfair to Western community residents who have never had local hospital services, but those residents were more concerned about quality of services than location, nor did they wish to achieve closer services at the expense of the much larger metropolitan community in the city.

Boulton suggested that the board set up a subcommittee to deal with the issue.

The present commission, he said, was appointed by the board, and had "wrestled from you the responsibilities which were mandated to you by your electors."

A recommendation that the commission be asked to review the matter and report back to the board was hotly disputed by Sooke director Charles Perkins, hospital board chairman Art Young, and region board chairman Jim Campbell.

Perkins, a commission member, said "for reasons of very grave concern we decided that the general concerns which involved construction of this hospital now as quickly as possible, outweighed the difficulty which will be experienced by certain practitioners for the period of time necessary for us to bring these functions back together."

Any alteration in major planning at this stage would mean prolonged delays in getting the hospital built.

Perkins acknowledged that there had been divisions in the committee before votes

were taken, but said that was to be expected.

The board was told that Boulton had made his presentation to the commission, and his submission had been considered before the decision was taken.

Young said that Boulton had been unable to even gain the support of his own colleagues with his proposal.

"If we reverse this decision," said Young, "we would have another group of doctors telling us what is wrong with that. The only way you will satisfy the medical fraternity is to build three major hospitals with everything in each, or to build a hospital with about 1200 beds and all the services."

More than half the students at the Lester B. Pearson College of the Pacific took part in a concert Wednesday afternoon as part of the official opening of the college's \$700,000 Max Bell Hall, a gift of the Max Bell foundation of Calgary.

Among those speaking briefly were R.S. Malone of Toronto, president of the foundation, Hon. John L. Nichol, Vancouver, chairman of the Pearson College board and Paul Bell of Calgary, the youngest son of the late Calgary publisher and sportsman.

Also in attendance were former Governor-General Roland Michener and Mrs. Michener. He is a trustee of the college and the foundation.

The hall, which includes a 360-seat theatre along with backstage facilities and music and art rooms, was completed last spring. Only last week, the college pre-

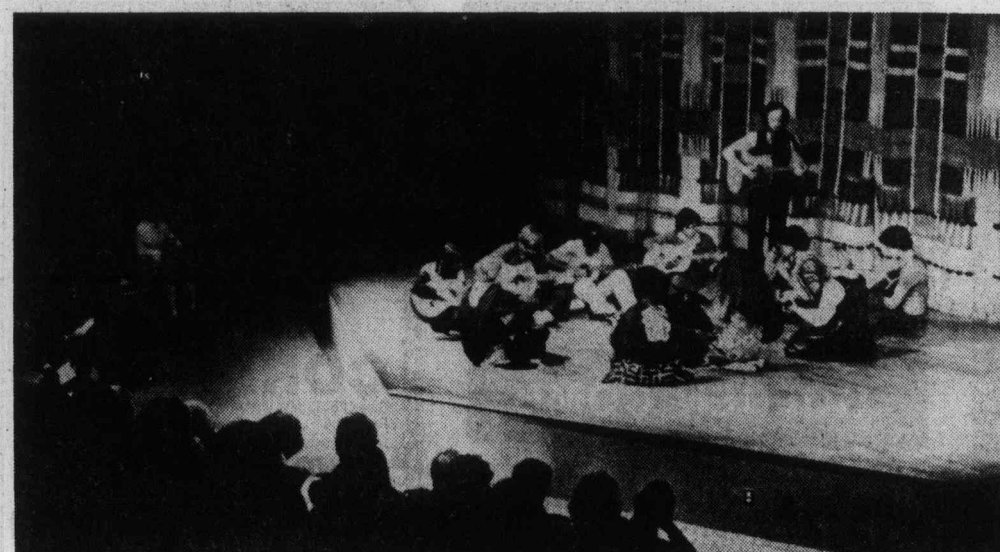
sented its first drama production in the theatre, *Tartuffe* by Moliere.

The concert portion began with the college choir singing *Fanfare 'Audite, haec omnes'* written in honor of Bell. The program was largely musical and accented the multi-national composition of the college with folk songs performed in native costume including those from Kenya, the Canadian north, China and Scotland. There were two dance interludes including a Japanese ribbon dance as well as a Kandyan dance.

The beginners' class of the college's International Guitar Circle played *Silent Night* and the audience was asked to join in singing the last verse "in whatever language pleases you most."

As the 10 student guitarists played, most in national costume, the carol could be heard to be sung in English, Japanese, and Chinese among other languages.

Carollers color college hall opening



—Colonist photo by Ian McKinn

Multilingual *Silent Night* concludes opening ceremony at Max Bell hall

China seeking Indochina peace

By LINDA MATTHEWS
Colonist-Los Angeles Times

HONG KONG — China has recently stepped up its diplomatic involvement in South-east Asia, apparently as part of a grand strategy to make peace among the warring states of Indochina and counter the Soviet Union's influence in the region.

In the past two months, China has coaxed Cambodia a little way out of its self-imposed isolation, served as a go-between in reducing the murderous border clashes between Cambodia and Thailand and tried to bridge its own ideological rift with Vietnam, the Soviets' chief ally in Southeast Asia.

Chairman Hua Kuo-feng set the new diplomatic offensive in motion by entertaining a procession of Asian leaders of all political stripes this fall. The October visit of Cambodian Premier Pol Pot, who counts China as his country's best friend in an other-

wise hostile world, was soon followed by the arrival of Vietnamese leader Le Duan, whose ties to Moscow make him somewhat suspect in Peking.

Former Thai Prime Minister Kukrit Pramoj, credited with establishing diplomatic links in 1975 between China and his country, Indochina's last non-Socialist power, was also on hand in Peking this fall. By some accounts, he rendezvoused there with Pol Pot and, with Chinese assistance, persuaded the Cambodian leader to seek a truce on the troubled Thai-Cambodian border.

The official traffic in the other direction has also become brisk.

Chinese Vice Premier Chen Yun-kuei, the nation's model peasant leader, was dispatched recently to Phnom Penh. Little is actually known about his mission, but the speculation here is that the tough-talking Chen, long the

leader of the Tachai Commune hailed as China's peace-setter, may be in Cambodia to assess its reconstruction needs and discuss Chinese aid. In the process, he could exert still more pressure on the Cambodians to stop their bloody raids on neighboring Thailand and Vietnam.

Soon, according to diplomatic sources in Peking, Vice Premier Teng Hsiao-ping is scheduled to pay an official visit to Burma, where Chinese-equipped rebels pose a growing threat to the government of President Ne Win.

Ne Win has already journeyed to Peking twice this year in an effort to halt the flow of Chinese aid to the insurgents, so a trip to Rangoon by Teng, the No. 3 man in the Chinese hierarchy, may mean that genuine negotiations are underway. It will be Teng's first mission abroad since he was rehabilitated for

the second time and restored to power in July.

China's effort to extend its influence in Southeast Asia and shore up the existing governments stems from a desire to prevent any instability that could be exploited by the Soviets or their allies, the Vietnamese. As a result of its energetic diplomacy, China has emerged, since the withdrawal of the United States from Indochina, as a major force for stability in the region.

"China wants to have a little peace in this area," observed Daniel Tretiak, an expert on Chinese foreign policy and a professor at York University in Toronto. "And as an offshoot of that, they're determined not to let the Soviets gain any more power in Indochina."

Like other analysts, Tretiak emphasized that, despite the flurry of activity, China's top foreign policy-makers seem less concerned about South-

east Asia than about their relations to the superpowers and to major trading partners, an increasingly important aspect of Peking's foreign policy calculations as China imports more foreign technology for its current modernization drive.

Nevertheless, Tretiak added, "It's very clear that China is going to exercise considerable influence over what happens in Indochina. Historically, they've had a very special relationship, and China will want to continue its presence there, not only to counter the Soviets but to maintain that relationship."

The Vietnam war, bringing with it a massive infusion of Soviet arms into Indochina, did little to enhance China's standing in the region, despite Peking's moral and economic support for Hanoi.

Judging from the current flow of propaganda, the communist nations of Southeast Asia remain divided into two

camp. The Soviet Union dominates Vietnam and Laos, while China has the upper hand in Cambodia and in the northwest corner of Laos, where road-building Chinese troops have virtually occupied the area.

The cordial reception extended to Le Duan late last month appeared to be part of a Chinese effort to erode some of the Soviet influence. Le Duan returned to Hanoi with assurances that Chinese assistance will continue at its present rate, about \$300 million a year, but without the pledge of stepped-up economic aid he apparently had hoped to extract from Peking.

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Washington probes Time—Book-of-Month merger

By DIANA LOERCHER

NEW YORK, N.Y. — The sweeping trend toward merger within the publishing industry received a setback recently with a decision by the Federal Trade Commission (FTC)

staff to investigate the proposed union of Time, Inc., and the Book-of-the-Month Club, Inc.

The investigation may be unique in the book business. Daniel Schwartz, deputy director of the FTC's Bureau of Competition, commented: "While the commission has investigated publishers before, I can't recall any specific investigations of mergers in the publishing industry."

The investigation comes in response to a petition filed in the form of a memorandum in August by the Authors Guild, Inc. — a corporate member of the Authors League of America, Inc. — with the Department of Justice and the FTC. It calls for blockage of the proposed acquisition of the book club by Time on the grounds that such a merger would violate Section 7 of the Clayton Act.

This section, as interpreted by the U.S. Supreme Court in 1962, is intended "to arrest mergers at a time when a trend toward lessening competition in a line of commerce is still in its incipency," and to prevent or reverse acquisitions which "may tend to lessen competition," explained the Authors Guild in an earlier statement called "The Continuing Trend to Concentration of Power in the Book Publishing Industry."

Time already owns a major trade publisher, Little, Brown, as well as Time-Life Books, Inc.

The Guild objects to the merger on grounds that "one of the probable effects of the acquisition will be to increase Little, Brown's competitive advantages over other trade publishers" in having its books selected by the BOMC.

Edward Fitzgerald, president of the book club, vehemently denies any possible conflict of interest. He insists that it is an inherent condition of the agreement between the BOMC and Time that the book club would remain independent. He further terms any suspicion that the club would favor Little, Brown books "doubly ridiculous, totally baseless, and almost an insult to imply. . . . There have been mergers in publishing going on for years that have made no difference to publishing. There have been no policies imposed on companies acquired."

The day after the FTC decided to investigate, the stockholders of both Time and the BOMC went ahead and voted their approval of the merger. Commented Fitzgerald, "We believe the FTC has no case." To thwart the merger would now require the full machinery of the FTC, a process which could take years. A refusal by the Internal Revenue Service to give the merger tax-free status could also block its consummation.

Peter Brickfield, assistant director of the FTC's Bureau

of Competition, declined to comment on the significance of the investigation other than to say, "We're taking a look because some of the staff recommended it."

The book club, the Literary Guild, and the Readers Digest Book Club (which sells only condensations) are by far the largest book clubs in the United States. Book clubs were the source of more than half of total trade book publishing sales in 1976, \$343.1 million out of \$573.3 million, according to the Guild.

The trend toward merger within the publishing industry has resulted in media conglomerates owned by publishers and sometimes by non-publishers such as Xerox, International Telephone and Telegraph, and Raytheon Steel.

The Literary Guild, it should be noted, has been owned since 1934 by Doubleday & Co., the largest general trade book publisher, which also recently took over Dell publishing, a leading mass-market paperback publisher. It was the gradual superpowers that prompted the Authors Guild to

publish its previously mentioned statement on mergers in June of this year.

In that statement it warned against media mergers and take-overs, which number more than 300 in the past 20 years. Recent examples are the purchase of Fawcett Publications by CBS, which already owns another major paperback publisher (Popular Library), a hardcover publisher (Holt, Rinehart, & Winston) a science textbook publisher, and 25 magazines.

Another example is Gulf & Western's purchase of Simon & Schuster and its subsidiary Pocket Books. G & W had previously acquired Paramount Pictures.

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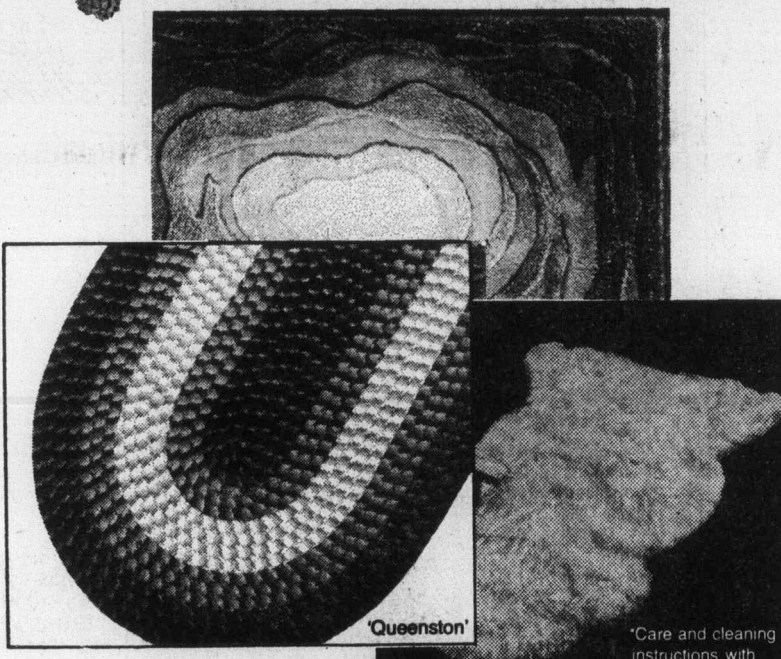
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Rivals mourn crash victims

MURFREESBORO, Tenn. (AP) — The Middle Tennessee State basketball team, dressed in blue and white uniforms and black armbands, conducted a memorial service Wednesday afternoon for the team they were to play that night.

All 14 University of Evansville players, coach Bobby Watson, and 14 other persons, died Tuesday night when their chartered plane crashed just after take-off from Evansville for Tennessee.

Middle Tennessee State team chaplain David Miller led the service at the Murphy Athletic Center where the game was to be played. "The question we ask is why," he said. "We realize that all our questioning and guessing will really fall short of the dimensions of the tragedy."

"When you come to memorialize someone, you have to know who they are," Miller said, asking Blue Raider coach Jimmy Earle to give the scouting report he had prepared on the Evansville team.

"They would have been a tremendous opponent," Earle said. He said the Aces, who won five NCAA Division II championships before moving up this year to Division I competition, were young, but determined and quick.

To Earle, a contest on the court seemed no longer so important. "Something like this makes college basketball and winning a very small thing, doesn't it?" he asked a reporter. "It puts it all in perspective when you talk about the loss of human lives."

Crash recalls deaths of other athletes

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Tuesday night's crash of a plane chartered by the University of Evansville basketball team continued a string of air tragedies that have involved sports personalities and clubs for a number of years.

Some of sport's all-time greats have met their deaths in plane disasters, including baseball outfielder Roberto Clemente, formerly with Pittsburgh Pirates, whose aircraft disappeared on New Year's Eve in 1973 while on a mercy mission to the earthquake victims in Nicaragua.

Rocky Marciano, unbeaten former heavyweight boxing champion, was killed on the eve of his 46th birthday when a light plane carrying him crashed near Newton, Iowa, on Sept. 1, 1969. Golfing star Tony Lema was killed on July 24, 1966, when the small plane carrying him, his wife and two others went down in Lansing, Mich., on July 24, 1966. Rafael Osuna died in a

crash near Monterrey, Mexico, just a week after leading the Mexican tennis team to a stunning upset of Australia in the 1969 Davis Cup.

Knute Rockne, college football's coaching legend, met a similar fate at a Kansas cornfield in 1931.

Other air victims were second baseman Ken Hubbs of baseball's Chicago Cubs; Wendell Ladner of basketball's New York Nets and auto racing driver Graham Hill.

Tragedies of team-wide impact have included the crashes involving football teams from Wichita State, Marshall University and California-Poly of San Luis Obispo, and the United States Olympic figure skating team.

On Nov. 12, 1970, the entire Marshall University team—45 players and nine coaches—were killed when its plane crashed while approaching an airport in Huntington, W.Va.

One of two planes carrying members of the Wichita State team crashed Oct. 2, 1970, in

Colorado en route to Logan, Utah, killing 14 players.

Sixteen players on the Cal Poly-SLO club died Oct. 29, 1960, when their chartered plane went down in Toledo, Ohio, after a game against Bowling Green.

Eighteen members of the Olympic figure skating team died when their craft crashed in Belgium on Feb. 15, 1961, enroute to the world championships in Czechoslovakia.

European teams also have been hit hard. Eight members of England's Manchester United soccer team were killed in a plane crash near Munich, West Germany in February, 1959. Ten years earlier, the Italian championship soccer team Torino of Turin was wiped out when its plane crashed in the centre of Turin.

Four other boxers, including former world middleweight champion Marcel Cerdan of France, also perished in air accidents.

Cerdan was killed in 1949 and was followed in later years by Dale Manz, John Maravilla

and former lightweight champion Teo Cruz of Santo Domingo.

Plane crashes also have taken the lives of a number of Canadian athletes, including Bill Barilko who played for Toronto Maple Leafs of the National Hockey League.

Barilko, who scored the winning goal in sudden-death overtime in the fifth game of the 1951 Stanley Cup final against Montreal Canadiens, went home to Timmins, Ont., after the series.

In August, 1951, he and a friend flew into Northern Ont.

Spalding to Sting

CHICAGO (AP)—Chicago Sting announced Tuesday the signing of defender Derek Spalding for the 1978 North American Soccer League season.

The Sting purchased the contract of Spalding, 22, from the Hibernian Football Club of Scotland last week.

tario on a fishing trip in a private plane. They were never heard from again.

Barilko's goal at 2:53 of overtime and gave Toronto a 3-2 win over Montreal and the best-of-seven series 4-1.

A crash in December, 1956, cost the lives of five Canadian Football League players.

Mel Beckett and Gordon Sturtridge, both of Saskatchewan Roughriders, and Calvin Jones of Winnipeg Blue Bombers were returning from action in an all-star game at Vancouver when the Trans-Canada Air Lines plane they were aboard crashed in the Rocky Mountains.

Two other Saskatchewan players, Mario DeMarco and Ray Syrnnyk, who attended the game as spectators, also died in the crash.

In June, 1975, Gerry Ouellette of Windsor, winner of a gold medal for small-bore rifle shooting at the 1956 Melbourne Olympics, was killed when his single-engine Cessna 170 crashed near his home. On March 31, 1933, a plane

carrying Winnipeg Toilers, the Canadian senior men's basketball champions, home from a series in Tulsa, Okla., crashed in Kansas. Two team members, Mike Shea and Bruce Dodds, were among the six persons killed. Seven members of the club were injured.

Cowichan posts win

DUNCAN—A huge first-half lead stood up Tuesday night for Cowichan Thunderbirds and they went on to whip Spectrum of Victoria, 69-46, in an exhibition boys' high-school basketball game.

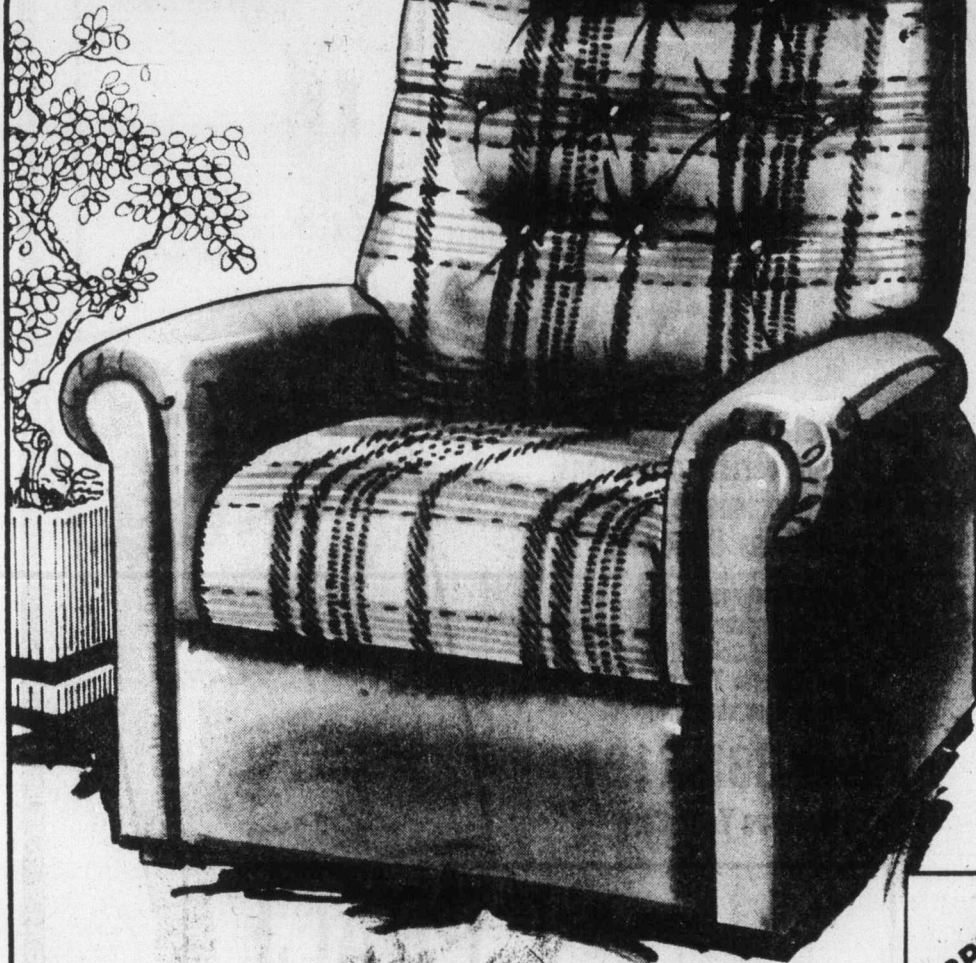
Led by Ed Olthof and Jay Fiddick, who finished with 21 and 20 points, respectively, Thunderbirds were 46-14 leaders at the intermission. Spectrum, whose top scorer was Dan Ryan with 11 points, won the second half, 32-23.

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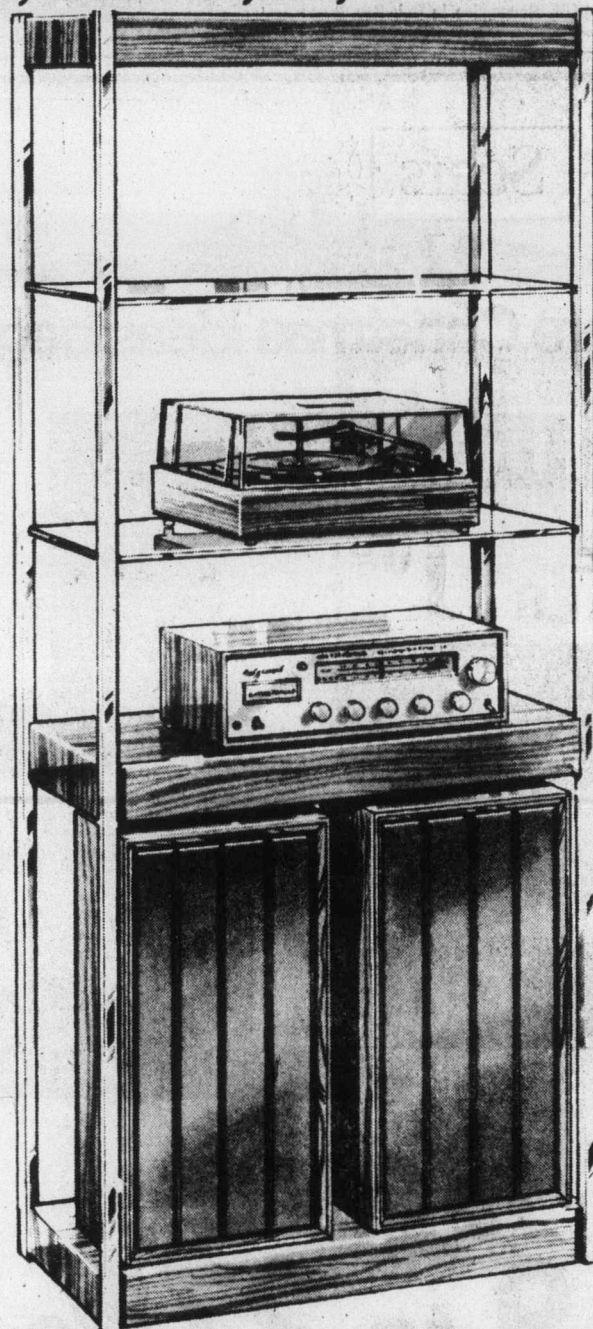
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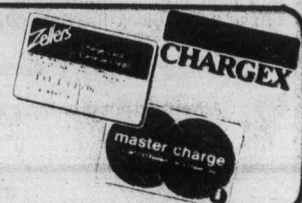
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Fifteen tons in one heist

Raisin rustling on rise near Fresno

By JUDITH FRUTIG
Colonist-Monitor Service
FRESNO, Calif. — In the

summerlike stillness of a recent November night, a diesel-powered tractor-trailer

glides to a stop, headlights off. The time: around midnight. The place: Jack Mooradian's unguarded vineyard in Selma, 20 miles south of Fresno.

Inside the house, the Mooradian family is asleep. But 300 yards away, in the midst of a tangle of grapevines, the tractor's occupants — probably two tall men dressed in dark clothing — jump to the ground and briskly load 15 tons of seedless raisin grapes (approximate market value: \$12,600) into their vehicle.

They rumble off, the theft unnoticed until the following afternoon. It is the largest raisin heist in recent memory (surpassing a nine-ton theft only a few weeks earlier).

Here in the rich farm basin of the San Joaquin Valley, where half of the world's annual raisin grape crop is produced, raisin rustling is on the rise. So far, law enforcement agencies and raisin farmers are stymied as to how to stop it.

In this case, the raisin thieves will likely either sell the Mooradians' raisins to one of 19 local raisin packers or smuggle them into Mexico. According to harried law officers here, they will probably strike again — soon.

This scene, which happened Nov. 5-6, has been Detective Donald Hard's nightmare. For in his territory in the last

three months alone, there have been 20 big raisin thefts in varying forms.

He says the chances of catching these particular rustlers are pretty good. By matching tires to tracks left in the dusty vineyard, Detective Hard has already impounded the tractor-trailer. At this writing detectives were narrowing the search for two unnamed suspects.

But the chances of recovering the raisins are next to

nothing. "What can you do?" asks Hard with a shrug. "Raisins look and taste pretty much alike. You can't analyse them (composition varies from the top to the bottom of a single stem). You can't brand them like cattle."

"The only way you can identify raisins," says Ronald Worthley, manager of the local Raisin Administrative Committee, "is by looking at the farmer's name on a wooden box. Once (the box is) gone, no way."

In recent years, farm thefts in this area have fluctuated along with the commodities market. As the prices of cotton, alfalfa, and hay have risen, so too have the thefts, leaving some local observers, like Tulare county Sheriff Robert Wiley, to label them "commodity capers."

This year the price of raisin grapes is spiraling (now \$840 a ton), after two years of weather-devastated fruit harvests.

Raisins are big business in the Western United States. The raisin industry, headed by Sun Maid and the Raisin Bargain Association, control about 80 per cent of the U.S. raisin supply, which in turn supplies the Western Hemisphere.

For raisin rustlers, the shriveled fruit is easily available and simple to steal. About 90 per cent of the domestic raisin crop ripens within a 50-mile radius of downtown Fresno. The grapes begin forming in April or May. Harvesting begins in September and extends through December.

First the grapes are picked by hand and laid in clusters of 17 to 21 on 2-by-3-foot light brown squares of paper, called drying trays. They dehydrate in the sunshine in open spaces for approximately 20 days, "depending upon the weather," says The Raisin Committee's Worthley.

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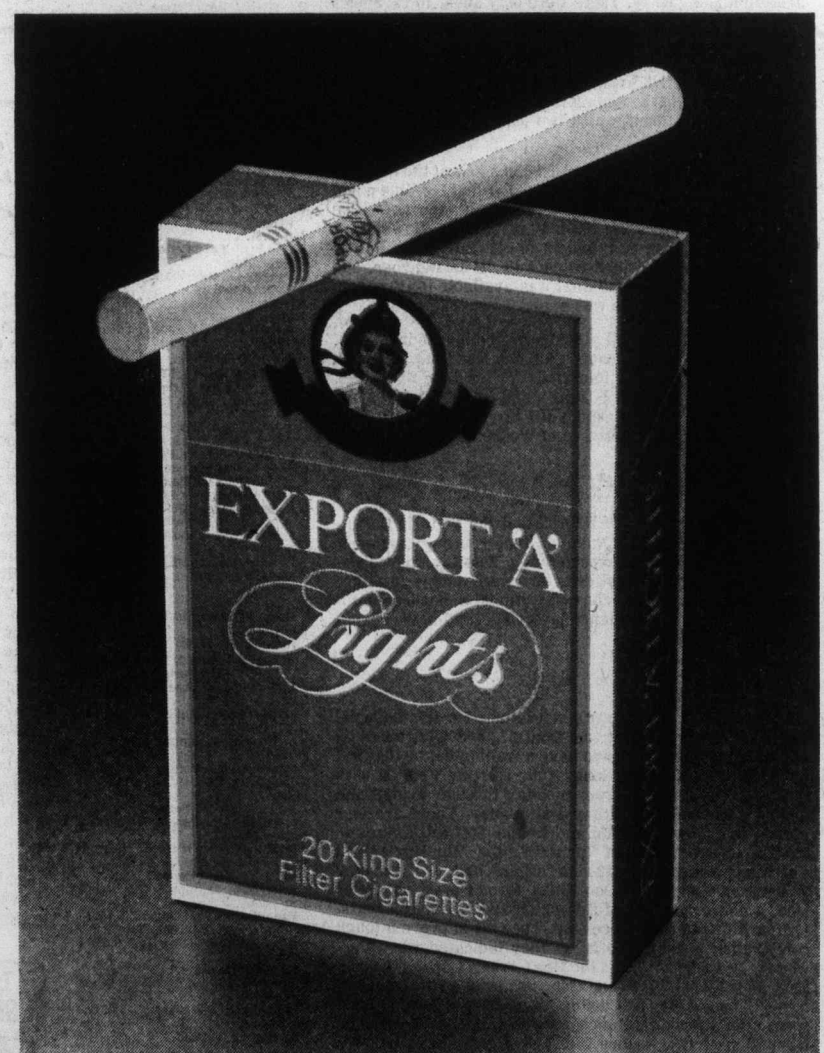
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Tournament chairman Leo Derman said Wednesday he has received about 40 entries and expects a rush before the end of the week.

"We can handle about 120 entries," Derman said, "so there's plenty of room."

Entries close on Monday and the draw for the 18-hole amateur event will be published next week.

The tournament has been played 18 times, having been postponed by poor weather on four occasions and a labor dispute on the other.

Bullpen only for Jenkins

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Ferguson Jenkins, a former Cy Young Award winner and the only 20-game winner in Texas Rangers' history, will be in the bullpen when the Rangers open spring baseball training.

Rangers owner Brad Corbett said his team got the long reliever it needed Wednesday when Texas swapped minor league pitcher John Poloni and \$25,000 to Boston Red Sox in exchange for Jenkins, the Chatham, Ont. native who turned 34 on Tuesday.

"He's going to be a long reliever and he can do it," Corbett said. "He can absolutely be a reliever. When you look at his strikeouts and walks ratio, you know he's the type of guy who can come in and strike a man out for you."

Jenkins' record this year also shows he is the type of guy who gives up home runs. Working as a Red Sox starter, he served up 30 gopher balls in 183 innings, fourth highest in the American League.

Jenkins came to Texas from Chicago Cubs after the 1973 season for infielders Bill Madlock and Vic Harris. Madlock topped the .300 mark for three seasons with the Cubs before being dealt to San Francisco. Jenkins reeled off six consecutive 20-win seasons with the Cubs, including a 24-13 mark in 1971 that earned him the Cy Young Award.

In his first season in Texas, he posted a 25-12 record with a 2.83 earned-run average. He slipped to 17-18 the next year and was dealt to Boston for Juan Beniquez, now a starting outfielder for the Rangers, and pitchers Steve Barr and Craig Skok.

Poloni, 23, had an 8-12 record with Tucson in the Pacific Coast League this year.

Jenkins has a lifetime mark of 213-160, making him the third winningest active pitcher. Philadelphia's Jim Kaat is the top career winner with 253 victories. Gaylord Perry of the Rangers is second with 246 victories.

Finley blaming Kuhn for troubles with A's

CHICAGO (AP) — Declaring it "the bleakest day of my life" and blasting baseball commissioner Bowie Kuhn, Charles O. Finley confirmed Wednesday night that he has sold Oakland A's to Marvin Davis.

"I lost \$600,000 in 1976 and \$1.1 million in 1977," said Finley, who refused to disclose the amount of the sale. "When you lose like that it ceases to be fun."

"Mr. Davis put the money on the line. Mr. Davis is not like a lot of Texans—big hat, no cattle. That man's got the cattle. Horse manure walks, money talks. All these other people were walking around with their hands in their pockets. Mr. Davis took his hands out of his pockets and put the money on the table."

Finley said he blames Kuhn personally for his having to sell the A's—a team he took to three consecutive World Series titles before running into financial trouble. It was the commissioner who voided a sale by Finley of three stars—Vida Blue, Rollie Fingers and Joe Rudi—for a total of \$3.5 million.

"My having to get out of baseball dates from 18 months ago, when his highness, Bowie Kuhn, canceled the news of Oakland A's sale and pending move to Denver with the words, 'I'm ecstatic.'"

"This is the bleakest day of my life. He (Kuhn) is probably celebrating."

Finley said he blames Kuhn for a number of his financial and physical problems.

"All the grief and harassment I've been caused by Bowie Kuhn, my doctors feel caused a heart attack in 1973 and open-heart surgery three months ago," he said.

Finley said that, if he had it all to do over again, he would have done only one thing differently—hang onto the votes among major league owners to fire Kuhn.

"Two years ago at the annual meeting I had the votes to get him fired," Finley said. "It only took four votes and I had four votes. The next day, when he saw that I had the votes, he had it postponed for one day. Overnight we lost the Texas Rangers."

Earlier Wednesday, in Denver, Davis said he plans to move the team to that city. The A's have a lease with Oakland Coliseum extending through 1987. A Coliseum spokesman said a lawsuit is planned to enforce the lease.

But Finley said he has discussed with San Francisco Giants the possibility of their

playing some games in Oakland next season. He said the Giants are willing but first must get permission from the city of San Francisco.

The team that will be moving to Denver is a mere shadow of the A's teams that won three consecutive World Series from 1972 to 1974. All the big names of that era are gone, and the A's finished last in their division last season—one-half game behind first-year expansion team Seattle—with a 63-98 record.

Davis said his first priority would be the hiring of a knowledgeable general manager for the team.

"We have a few in mind," he said. "We need a good general manager. We are out to improve the team. Finley

has promised me to help all he can," said Davis, 52, whose Davis Oil Co. is reputed to be the largest independent oil company in the world.

In a city entranced by the success of Denver Broncos and their league-leading National Football League record, Davis said he has received 200 calls for season tickets to A's games.

Davis said he would start immediately to build a winning team, a necessity, he said, to fill Mile High Stadium, which seats 50,000 for baseball.

The timing of the sale, coming after the recent winter baseball meeting in Hawaii, will make player trades difficult, Davis said. He

added that the general manager would have to deal with that situation.

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Eley sidelined

ATLANTA (AP) — Atlanta Falcons have put running back Monroe Eley on their injured reserve list, replacing him on the roster with offensive tackle Bob Jordan, says a spokesman for the National Football League team.

Eley, who also has played for British Columbia Lions of the Canadian Football League, has a broken foot and has played little since early in the season, the spokesman said Wednesday.

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Giants cheer sale of rivals

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Bob Lurie, co-owner of San Francisco Giants, greeted the news of Oakland A's sale and pending move to Denver with the words, "I'm ecstatic."

The Giants owners and A's owner Charles Finley lost more than \$2 million between them this year, from their statements, as the baseball teams operated 10 miles apart for a 10th season in the Bay area with a population of about 4 million.

Finley's team drew 495,000 fans, the lowest attendance total in the major leagues, and finished last in the American League West as it went mostly with young players like Mitchell Page in place of departed stars such as Sal Bando, Joe Rudi, Gene Tenace. Bert Campaneris and Rollie Fingers.

The Giants' attendance of 700,000 was lowest in the National League.

"We have a lot of work to do, but today's events pro-

vide us with a great opportunity to bring fans into our ballpark," Lurie said after getting news of Finley's decision to sell to oilman Marvin Davis of Denver. "This has always been Giants' territory and I'm ecstatic that Charlie Finley has decided to go elsewhere."

The Giants' owner reiterated that his team would be "more than willing to play a part of our schedule in Oakland if that's what it takes to satisfy the terms of the (Oakland) lease."

William Cunningham, general manager of the coliseum complex also used by football's Oakland Raiders and basketball's Golden State Warriors, said: "We'll go as far as it takes legally to ensure that we don't lose out on this deal."

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Islanders' top ranking endorses coaching program

By COLIN GIBSON
Nanaimo Free Press
NANAIMO (CP) — Nanaimo Islanders are the top-rated boys 'AA' high school basketball team in British Columbia today, a ranking which coach John Levering considers an endorsement of the program he started three years ago at Nanaimo District Senior Secondary.

Levering, who played guard for NDSS in the 1960's, had only two years of junior high coaching experience when he returned to NDSS. However, his Campbell River Junior Secondary School team had been respectable, and compiled a 56-19 record under his guidance.

During the 1975-76 season, with Levering at the helm, the Islanders won 36 games while losing 11, but failed to reach the provincial championships involving 16 teams.

Last year the Nanaimo team was 45-5 and ranked third on Vancouver Island and fifth in the province.

Prior to the start of the 1977-78 high school basketball season, the Islanders were rated fourth in province, possibly because only one of last year's starters, Gerald Kazanowski, was returning.

This didn't shake Levering's confidence in his players. Since the end of last season to

make a determined run for the top.

Before the team split up last March, players expected to suit up for the Islanders this year were given an extensive conditioning program to follow throughout the summer, which included weight training and cross-country running.

Levering felt conditioning was the key to success and when school opened in the fall, the program was stepped up.

It has obviously paid huge dividends, not only in the number one ranking, but in

the complete domination the Islanders have displayed over their opponents.

They are undefeated with an 11-0 record and they averaged 97 points a game while limiting the opposition to 52 points a game.

Levering refuses to take credit for the team's showing and says "the kids are doing the work."

"They have high aspirations and they deserve to be where they are," he says. "Anyone can motivate, but when it comes down to the crunch, the players just have

to go out and do it themselves."

The Islanders are led by a brother act, Gerald, Greg and John Kazanowski, but the supporting cast would merit top billing on most teams. The forward unit would warm any basketball coach's heart.

Anchored by Gerald Kazanowski, who at six-foot-six and 190 pounds has a 20-point average and has hit on 52 per cent of his shots from the floor, the Islanders are awesome on offence.

Paul Davis, six-foot-five and 180 pounds, has a 15-point

average and has been good on 50 per cent of his shots from the field.

The third forward is six-foot-one Greg Kazanowski, who is averaging 14 points a game and hitting at a 53-per cent clip from the floor. He also is averaging six steals a game.

The rover is six-foot John Kazanowski who has a 13-point average and a 59-per cent average on his shots from the floor.

Mark Spees, five-foot-nine, is the fifth starter. His job is to set up the gunners. The front line also is adept

at cleaning the boards at both ends of the court. Gerald Kazanowski is averaging 10 rebounds a game, Davis eight and Greg Kazanowski five.

Levering points to his bench as a factor in the team's success. Four players—Murray Carver, Mike Davidson, Randy Kaardal and Colin Tinga—are capable of moving up as starters, he says, while three rookies—Randy Marsden, Ian Pederson and Kent Horsely—have been more than adequate when called on for spot duty.

Two formations are primarily used on offence: the

high stack and the 3-2. Both are set up to get the ball to the big fellows near the basket.

The Islanders use a variety of defences which vary according to the dictates of a particular situation or opponent.

"I want the boys to play to their potential," says Levering. "Be consistent, concentrate on the proper execution of fundamentals and always strive for self-improvement."

"If they can do this, the provincial title is there for the asking."

Juvenile soccer schedule

Weekend games in the South Island Juvenile Soccer Association:

SATURDAY

10 A.M.
DIVISION 8 WEST—Juan de Fuca BCANSI vs. Bay's United Maynards, Sangster School; Gorge FC vs. Evening Opts Mavericks, Hampton Park.
8 NORTH—Prospect Lake Celtics vs. Peninsula Hornets, Rosedale Park; Gordon Head RCAF vs. Lake Hill Quedra Electric, Majestic Park.
8 EAST—Juan de Fuca Westcan Stevedores vs. Gordon Head Chew Excavating, Blanford Park; Colwood School No. 1 vs. Juan de Fuca Coreland Development vs. Gorge Canadians Colwood School No. 2; Bay's United Uniteds vs. Prospect Lake United, Pemberton Park.
8 SOUTH—Gordon Head Chew Excavating vs. Blanford Painting & Decorating, Lambick No. 1; Lake Hill Cedar Hill Esso vs. Sooke Lions, Langford School.
8 EXHIBITIONS—Cordova Bay United vs. Evening Opts Pintos, Lochside Park; Alexander Sporting Goods vs. Cordova Bay Seals, Dunsmuir School.
DIVISION 9 NORTH—Evening Opts Hurricanes vs. Cordova Bay Bears, Hollywood Park; Bay's United Monters vs. Gordon Head Cosmos, Firemans Park.
9 EAST—Juan de Fuca Rangers vs. Lake Hill Tom's Pizza, Glen Lake School; Evening Opts Spiffies vs. Gordon Head Princess Mary, Oaklands Park; Bay's United Maynards vs. Gorge Royals, Maynard Park.
9 WEST—Gorge FC vs. Bay's United Greens, Rudd Park; Peninsula Eagles vs. Juan de Fuca Royal Roads, Sidney School; Gordon Head ANAF vs. Prospect Lake Hustlers, Ventreight Park.
9 SOUTH—Prospect Lake Royals vs. Gorge Canadians, Lavitz Park No. 1; Lake Hill West Coast Healers vs. Peninsula Warriors, Reynolds Park; Glenwoods Meats vs. Gordon Head University Heights Esso, David Cameron School.

11 A.M.
DIVISION 6A—Even Opts Tigers vs. Prospect Lake Dynamos, (9:30) South Douglas; Lakehill Jadresco vs. Gordon Head Cosmos, Reynolds Park; Peninsula Cougars vs. Gorge FC, Wains Rd.
DIVISION 6B—Cordova Bay Tigers vs. Lakehill Bullfrog Service, Lochside; JDF Belmont Collision vs. Prospect Lake Risers, Sangster; Duncan Uncle Alberts vs. Bays United Travel World, Sherman Rd.
DIVISION 6C—JDF Lumber vs. Bays United Ocean Const., JDF Park; Gordon Head ANAF Vets vs. Gorge Buccs Horner Park.
DIVISION 6D—JDF Sooke Forest Prod. vs. Gorge Royals, Dunsmuir; Duncan Uncle Alberts vs. Peninsula Thunderbirds, Sherman Rd.

DIVISION 7A—G. H. Coppins Jewellers vs. Even Opts Colts, Majestic; Bays United McLaren Elec. vs. Lakehill Peter Pollen, Windsor; Gorge FC vs. JDF Home Lumber, G. Kulai Field.

DIVISION 7B—Lakehill Reg Midgley vs. B.U. Commercial Travellers (9:30) North Douglas; Bays United vs. Peninsula Dolphins, Maynard; Prospect Lake Toros vs. Gorge Buccs, Prospect Lake Park.

DIVISION 7C—Duncan Eagles vs. Cordova Bay Colts, Sherman Rd.; Prospect Lake Strikers vs. Even Opts Mustangs, Lavitz; Peninsula Bobcats vs. G. H. Victoria Athletic Assn., Seanchion Elem.

DIVISION 7D—Gorge Canadians vs. Cowichan Butler Lefarge, Mt View; JDF Oak Park Hotel vs. Cowichan Thistle, Glen Lake School; Cosmopolitan Royals JDF Westcan Terminals, Ventreight Park.

1 P.M.
DIVISION 4A—Cordova Bay Hawks vs. Bays United Metro Toyota, Lochside; Peninsula Jets vs. Gordon Head Eagles, Parkland; Even Opts Patriots vs. Duncan Gyros, 12:30 North Douglas.

DIVISION 4B—Prospect Lake Rangers vs. Lakehill MacKenzie Esso, Prospect Lake Park 1; Gorge FC vs. Even Opts Blues, G. Kulai Field Hampton Park.

DIVISION 4C—Even Opts Hawks vs. Gorge Buccs (12:30) North Douglas; Juan de Fuca Columbia Ready Mix vs. Bays United Oak Bay Kiwanis, Colwood.

DIVISION 4D—Cowichan Tops vs. Gorge Royals, Sherman Rd; JDF Hampton Park Hustlers vs. Sooke Checkers, David Cameron.

DIVISION 5A—Lakehill Radicon vs. Gorge FC (1:30) North Douglas; Gordon Head Smith Bros. vs. JDF Van Isle Moulding, Lambick No. 2; Bays United Victoria Kiwanis vs. Prospect Lake Rovers, Windsor.

DIVISION 5B—Peninsula Pumes vs. Gorge FC (1:30) North Douglas; Gorge Spring Kicks vs. Cowichan Road Runners, Fullford.

DIVISION 5C—Even Opts Ramblers vs. Cordova Bay Bruins, Oakland Park; Lakehill Cable vs. Bays United Falcons, Reynolds Park.

DIVISION 5D—Gordon Head Toms Pizza vs. Gordon Head Cosmos, Majestic; JDF Suburban Realty vs. Cowichan Aloose, Belmont; Duncan Darts vs. JDF Legion 91, Sherman Rd.

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SUNDAY
11 A.M.
DIVISION 1A—Juan de Fuca Davinci vs. Lakehill Totem Towing, Belmont High; Even Opts Olympics vs. Gorge FC North Douglas; Bays United Hygrade vs. Gordon Head Cosmos, Henderson W.

DIVISION 1B—Prospect Lake Vampires vs. Rodgers Plumbing & Htg., Prospect Lake P. No. 1; Gorge Canadians vs. Saltspring Orange, Mt. View; Gordon Head Cable vs. Cowichan Datsun, Lambick 4.

DIVISION 1C—Peninsula Tigers vs. Bays United, Wains Rd.; Even Opts Raiders vs. Cordova Bay Spartans, Lochside.

DIVISION 2A—Gorge Royals vs. BC Land, Esquimalt Sen, Juan de Fuca; Cosmo, Royals vs. Gorge FC, Belmont; Even Opts Royals vs. Gillespie Electric, South Douglas.

DIVISION 3A—Saltspring Canadians vs. Bays United Rovers, Fullford; Duncan Mr. Mikes vs. Gorge FC, Cowichan Sen; Lakehill Meats vs. Gordon Head Cosmos, Majestic.

12:30 P.M.
DIVISION 2B—Duncan Domans vs. Gorge Buccaneers, Cowichan High; Duncan Dynamos vs. Even Opts Blues, Sherman Rd; Prospect Lake Gibsons Photo vs. Gordon Head Shell, Prospect Lake No. 1.

DIVISION 2C—Goldstream Chevron vs. Peninsula Hawks, Royal Roads; Bays United Hendersons vs. Peninsula Braves, Henderson East; Lakehill Mercury Marine vs. Gorge Canadians, North Douglas.

DIVISION 3B—Gorge Canadians vs. Ridley Bros Construction JDF, David Cameron School; Even Opts Cobras vs. Prospect Lake Hotspurs, South Douglas; Lakehill Suburban Motors vs. Duncan Hershey Trans, Reynolds Park.

DIVISION 3C—JDF Legion 91 vs. Even Opts Dynamos, Langford School; Gordon Head Teamsters vs. Bays United Buccaneers, Majestic; Peninsula Falcons vs. Cordova Bay Cougars, Airport Park.

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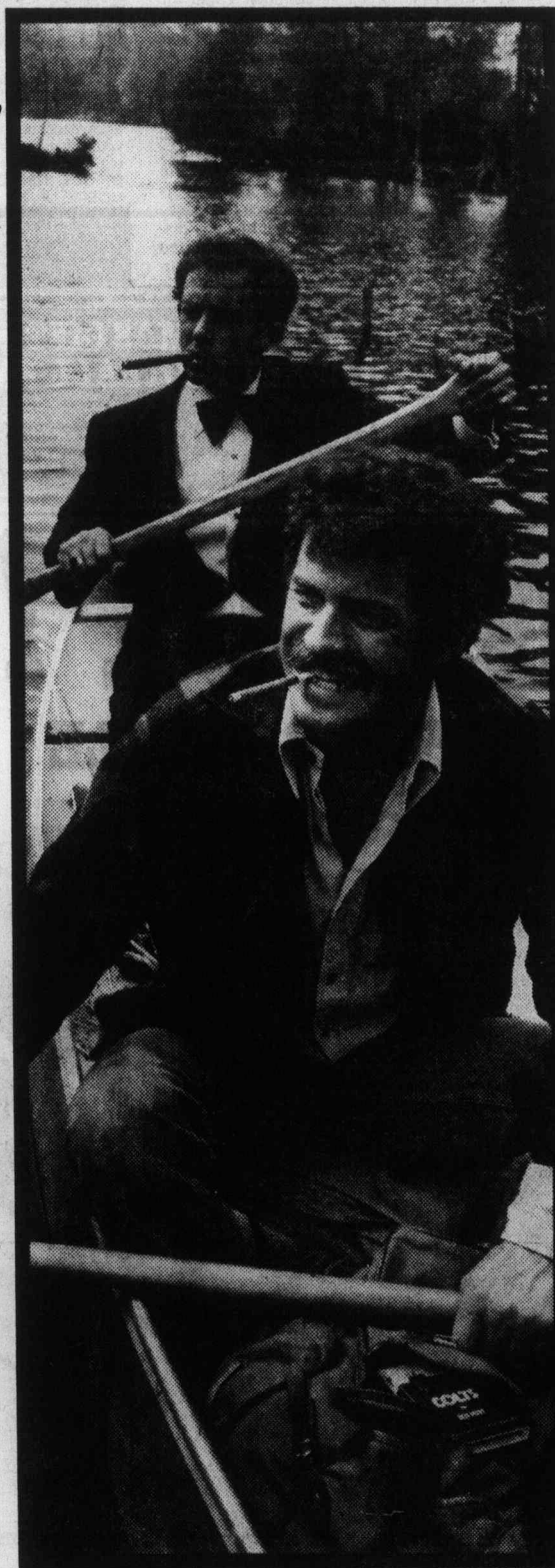
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Czechs won't play against defectors to NHL

TORONTO (CP) — Two former Czechoslovakian hockey stars will not be allowed to play for their National Hockey League teams in exhibition games against

Czechoslovakian teams, says Al Eagleson, executive director of the NHL Players' Association.

The two are Vaclav Nedomansky of Detroit Red Wings and Rudolf Tajnar of Philadelphia Flyers. Detroit plays host to Pardubice of Czechoslovakia on Dec. 26 and Kladno, another visiting Czechoslovakian team, is in Philadelphia on Jan. 2.

Eagleson said that the Czechoslovakians said they would not play in Detroit and Philadelphia if the two players were allowed in their NHL team's lineup.

"There was never a threat made on the entire series between Czechoslovakian and NHL teams but they made their position clear for the games in Detroit and Philadelphia," said Eagleson.

"Their view is Tajnar and Nedomansky are suspended under International Ice Hockey Federation rules because they defected from Czechoslovakia. They're governed by IIHF rules and they intend to abide by them."

ZÜRICH, Switzerland (Reuter) — Iran could be expelled from next year's World Cup soccer finals in Argentina as a result of a dispute between the International Football Federation (FIFA) and the Asian Football Confederation (AFC), FIFA sources said Wednesday.

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The sources told Reuter FIFA was still awaiting a reply from the AFC to its demand that the AFC rescind recent political decisions which violate FIFA rules.

These decisions were to expel Taiwan and Israel from the AFC and admit China.

NEW YORK (AP) — Steve Cauthen, the first jockey ever to win \$6 million in purses in a single year, was named Wednesday as winner of Sport's Illustrated Sportsman of the Year for 1977.

The 17-year-old jockey was only the second horse racing

figure to be so honored. The first was a horse—Secretariat, U.S. thoroughbred's 1973 Triple Crown champion.

MADONNA DI CAMPIGLIO, Italy (CP) — Ingemar Stenmark of Sweden scored his seventh straight victory of the ski season, winning the men's giant slalom race Wednesday and taking a big lead in the World Cup standings.

The Swedish star was timed in two minutes, 49.91 seconds in the two heats of the race, edging Olympic champion Heini Hemmi of

Switzerland. Hemmi was clocked in 2:50.06.

Germaine Barrette, 20-year-old Canadian national C Team member from Causapal, Que., was the lone Canadian to complete both runs. He started 85th to place 40th and last among the racers who successfully negotiated the course dangerously-rutted for the late starters with a time of 2:58.41.

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WASHINGTON (AP) —

Young men are finding college less attractive, even though that is where the women are, a U.S. Census Bureau study shows.

The report released this week suggests fewer men are enrolling because they are not eligible for military-service education benefits or they no longer need draft deferments.

It speculates another reason may be that young men now consider a college education less important.

The proportion of 18- and 19-year-old men who have completed one year of college declined from 13.6 per cent in 1970 to 10.9 per cent this year, the report says.

However, during the same period, a higher proportion of women the same age completed the same education, increasing from 12.9 per cent to 13.2 per cent.

Larry Suter, who heads the bureau's education statistics branch, says women have exceeded men in education at that age group for three years. But any gains they are making are caused mainly by declining male enrollments, he says.

Among 20- and 21-year-olds, men with a year of college education dropped markedly from 46.8 per cent in 1970 to 38.5 per cent in 1977.

Maggie's movie needs investors

MONTREAL (CP) — Kin- versal Productions Inc. has asked the Quebec Securities Commission for permission to raise more investment for its film, *Kings and Desperate Men*, currently in production here starring Margaret Trudeau.

The production company ran afoul of the QSC for sell-

ing "financial participation" in the \$1.2-million film in violation of commission rules.

QSC director of registrations Paul Lusignan said Kin- versal representatives, including chartered accountant Saul Kwit, applied Monday for an exemption to the commission rule.

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SAN DIEGO, Calif. (AP) — Thirty-nine American prisoners brought home from Mexican jails as part of an exchange treaty gained their freedom on probation Tuesday. Most rushed from the gates of a federal prison here

into the arms of waiting relatives or friends.

Alison Margaret Baughman, 24, of Jefferson Town, Ky., was the first to be freed from the Metropolitan Correctional Centre here. As a group of reporters surrounded her, she kissed an unidentified friend. She declined to comment other than to say that freedom "feels fantastic."

James Robert Douglas, 27, of Austin, Texas, said: "The first thing I want to do is get a drink. I've got a little bar picked out right over there." Douglas, who spent four years and three months in Mexican prisons for cocaine possession, said, "I'm afraid my life is going to be changed. Right now, I'm not sure just how. I think I'll go work in a circus."

Officials had said that as many as 44 men and women were eligible for immediate release because they had served enough time in Mexico to satisfy the sentences that would have been imposed under U.S. law, which made them eligible under the treaty between the United States and Mexico.

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Investigators said the 28-year-old man parlayed \$6,818 into a big winning streak, but drank too much and apparently stumbled and knocked himself out. He was treated for minor cuts and bruises and released after he sobered up.

"Many a man has had very sad experiences near Frankfurt's Central Station with much less money in his pockets than that," a policeman observed.

PQ win spinoff: 'A baby boom'

MONTREAL (CP) — Premier Rene Levesque says his government's election may have contributed to a modest baby boom in Quebec.

In an interview published recently in Hydro-Quebec's magazine, Levesque is quoted as saying that after the election Quebecers apparently stopped being afraid of anti-separatist propaganda and had a few more babies.

"Curiously, after the Nov. 15 (1976) election in Quebec, there was a small baby boom," the premier said. "I am curious to know the statistics for the year."

"It means that all of a sudden, we stopped being afraid of propaganda. We decided to change something more than a government."

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School choirs afloat

Twelve school choirs have agreed to take the festive spirit on board B.C. ferries for the next two weeks.

Recreation and Conservation Minister Sam Bawlf, minister in charge of the ferry system, said choirs from Saanich, Nanaimo, Delta and West Vancouver would carol their way back and forth across Georgia Strait from morning to noon each day.

When the choirs aren't singing, they will be taking special courses of instruction on the environment of coastal waters and the Gulf Islands, plus instruction on the ferry system by staff members. The environmental courses are being organized by the ministry.

The singing travellers will give a total of 24 concerts in the pre-Christmas period. "It's an experiment," Bawlf said. "If the response is good, it could become an annual event."

Blackout filming begins

MONTREAL (CP) — Filming has begun here on *Blackout*, a thriller about four killers on the loose in a New York City highrise during a power failure.

Somerville House, a Canadian independent feature film

company, is producing the movie, which features second-generation Hollywood stars Jim Mitchum and Robert Carradine, the sons of veteran actors Robert Mitchum and John Carradine. The film also stars Belinda J. Montgomery, June Ally-

son, Jean-Pierre Aumont and Ray Milland.

French filmmaker Eddy Matalon is directing the \$1.2-million suspense film based on a story by Toronto writer John C. W. Saxton.

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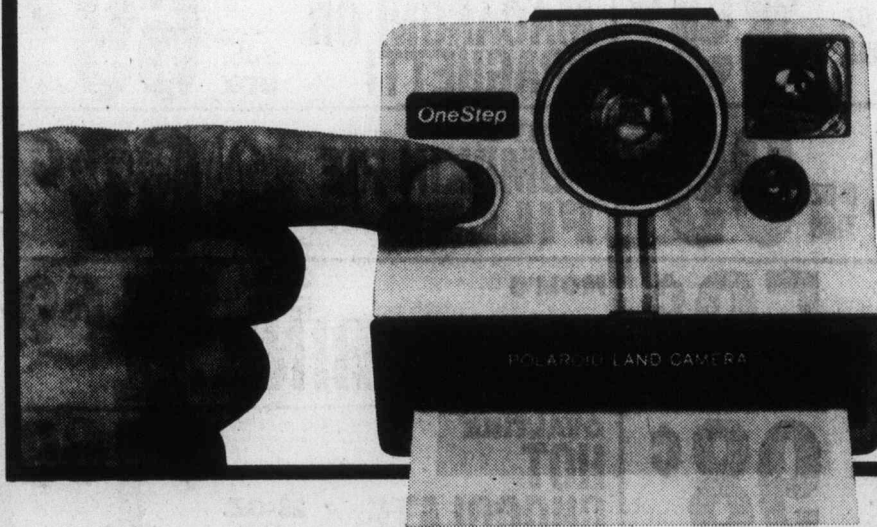
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Wayward taxation forms rerouted

VANCOUVER (CP) — Some of the 165,000 pieces of mail sent to British Columbia bearing inaccurate district post office codings, are now being moved, according to post office spokesman Betty Amos.

The mistake was discovered last Thursday after a large part of the mail — income tax forms bound for B.C. taxpayers — arrived in bulk for resorting at a local postal warehouse.

The error was made by

Revenue Canada at Winnipeg. Not only were individual forms given wrong codings, but cartons in which they were packed were inaccurately addressed.

Amos said corrections were being made at the

depot, with the assistance of a Revenue Canada representative.

Hal Park, local Revenue Canada director, said, "We're still involved in studying the most economical way of correcting the error."

Whether it could be corrected on the spot, or whether most of the mail would have to be shipped back to the Winnipeg data centre for correction, was not yet known, he said.

B.C. committee studying Alberta ombudsman job

The Legislature's select standing committee established to find B.C.'s first ombudsman will travel to Alberta soon to take a first-hand look at that province's system.

Alberta has had an ombudsman for a number of years, and the B.C. politicians want a first-hand job description before starting a

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Dancer one of 'sweatshirt generation'

Gene Kelly enjoys tribute

By LOUISE SWEENEY
Colonist-Monitor Service
WASHINGTON, D.C. — It is Gene Kelly's damp fate that he is remembered best as the actor so lovestruck he tap dances through a down-pour in *Singin' in the Rain*. So it seemed appropriate that it seemed gray rain the night the American Film Institute (AFI) paid tribute to Gene Kelly, with a screening of that classic musical to mark his appearance. Afterward, himself strolled out on stage under a red and blue umbrella, did a brisk tap or two, teed off with the bumbershoot as a golf club, and sat down in a director's chair. When the applause finally died down, he answered questions from a rapt audience of nearly 2,000, much of it film-hip and young, who knew every frame of his movies, from *An American in Paris* to *The Pirate*, from *Anchor's Aweigh* to *Forty Carats*.

For the audience, which gave him a standing ovation and wildly applauded all his numbers in *Rain*, it was a love-in. The warmth in the big, red velvet Eisenhower Theatre was enough to dry every drenched trenchcoat in the room.

And again the next day, outside the Sheraton Carlton Hotel two blocks from the White House, it was raining nonpartisan torrents, democratically soaking everyone in sight. Upstairs in a mirrored, marbled, and chandeliered suite paced the guy who worked his way through college mixing concrete, digging ditches, and stacking tires in a warehouse.

He moves with a certain muscled grace, this man in the gray business suit who has done a buck-and-wing through the hearts of moviegoers for 40 years. The familiar husky tenor is the same, and the smiling Irish brown eyes, masked faintly by the smoked glasses he wears from time to time.

He sports a minute red ribbon in the lapel of his suit. It is the French Legion of Honor, given to the dancer-choreographer-director who is a cult figure in France for his films and who was cited for staging the first jazz ballet, *Pas de Deux*, at the Paris Opera House.

Not bad for what he calls himself, one of "the sweatshirt generation" (as he told biographer Tony Thomas), an athletic kid from Pittsburgh. One of a family of five, he taught dancing in the cellar of their house during the depression. He talks about how, when he was at the University of Pittsburgh, he hired out as a dance teacher at a local synagogue shul (school), where few of the boys wanted to take dancing lessons.

"I was a pretty good athlete myself," he remembers, so he offered the boys free basketball lessons if they'd sign up for tap dancing afterward. That was the end of the problem.

"Being a dancer is closely allied to being an athlete, on which my whole style is based," says Gene Kelly. "Dancing is a very tough job; it's like playing football. You have to extend yourself if you want to be good. You can dance till you're old and gray if you want to do just what you can do. But if you want to be very good... you have to go to the outer limits; you don't want to stay within the limits of your abilities."

The Kelly dancing style is virile, romantic, exuberant, athletic. He says it's a mix of tap dancing (with its roots in Irish-American clogging and black minstrel shows), acting, and ballet. This is, after all, the Gene Kelly who studied ballet and turned down an offer from the Ballets Russes de Monte Carlo. (That was after he and his family opened the Gene Kelly School of the Dance, which he ran for seven years before hitting Broadway and stardom in his late 20s.)

Although some of his most haunting dances have been pure ballet, like the *Place de la Concorde pas de deux* with Leslie Caron in *American in Paris*, he has tempered that long line of ballet to suit the roles. "If you're playing a truck driver, you can't come out in fifth position, with your arms over your head."

In addition to his singing and dancing roles Gene Kelly has given impressive performances as an actor in non-musical roles, like *Inherit the Wind*. But he told the AFI audience, "Musicals are my real love. I didn't want to make pictures with messages. I just wanted to make people happy and bring joy."

And yet, he always has wanted to be a director much

more than a star, and he pushed the studio (MGM) early to let him direct, beginning with *On the Town*. It was the first film apart from Westerns to be shot outside the studio. "I started the French New Wave," he grins, alluding to the shooting on location and breaking studio formulas done by young

French directors of the late '50s, to whom he was a hero. Gene Kelly says he would like to direct a love story eventually, but that isn't what backers are looking for. "Action pictures are all the rage. The financiers won't put their money in pictures unless it's action or porn, soft or hard, because that sells all

around the world. I deplore this. Raising a family, I don't want to make pictures of this kind. On the other hand I don't want to make pictures for four-year-olds." In fact, he's been through raising two families: The first ended in divorce from actress Betsy Blair. Kerry, his daughter by that marriage, has made him a grand-

father twice: she is a psychologist who studied with Anna Freud and teaches with her husband at the University of Michigan. The passing of his second wife, dancer-choreographer Jeanne Coyne, left him a single parent raising a son, Timothy, now 15, and daughter Bridget, 13.



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East Germany's strong economy loses buoyancy

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By MURRAY SEEGER
Colonist-Los Angeles Times

BERLIN — The East German economy, traditionally the leader of the European communist bloc, still provides the highest standard of living in the communist world, but it has lost much of its buoyancy.

The rate of growth is slowing and the already strained labor force is being exhorted to work even harder to meet official planning targets.

Seeking new ways to impress the world that East Germany — the German Democratic Republic — is a viable, independent state that will never be reunited with its bigger and much richer neighbor — the Federal Republic of (West) Germany — East Germany's Socialist Unity (communist) Party and its government have announced a massive celebra-

tion of the state's 30th anniversary, two years in advance.

"We will prepare the jubilee with new labor achievements in all areas of society's life," declared the statement that covered two pages in the official newspaper, Neues Deutschland.

A country with few natural resources, a chronic shortage of labor and a bigger military budget than most other members of the East European trading group Comecon, East Germany established an enviable record both for exporting goods and raising individual standards of living in the 1960s.

The nation's leaders felt a particular challenge, not only to excel within the communist world, but to keep its own living standard within hailing distance of West Germany's. Since 80 percent of the East

German population of under 17 million can see West German television — and difference in living standards is more graphic than in the other, more isolated communist countries.

The difference is most telling in Berlin, where thousands of foreign tourists daily cross through the huge wall that divides the city and can compare the gaudy, rich life of the western part of the city with the drab streets of the eastern zone.

The quality and supply of goods in East German stores are better than in other East European countries but still are far inferior to Western Goods. Lines from daily outside most stores and individuals complain there is little they want to buy.

Under Erich Honecker, now head of state as well as communist party boss, East Germany attempted to raise indi-

vidual living standards rapidly in the 1970s without raising prices.

The regime had seen the results in neighboring Poland when the government there tried to raise prices in 1970, and was overthrown by a workers' uprising. Instead, the East German planners poured billions of marks into subsidies to reward collective farmers for their production, without raising retail prices.

Forced to import most of its raw materials, including energy, East Germany tried to pay its bills with manufactured exports, especially machinery.

The formula started to break down following the oil embargo of 1973, which led to a worldwide recession and the raising of petroleum prices by the Soviet Union.

East Germany, obliged to pay more for its energy supplies and imports from the

West, could not sell enough of its products. The machinery produced could not compete with Western-made products, and the recession reduced the size of potential markets. Moreover, bad weather forced the East Germans to import grain from the United States and pay the cost with its limited hard currency reserves.

But the government held firm to Honecker's policy of not raising prices, except for new and improved products. The party chief, who took power in 1971, fixed basic prices at the 1960 level so that the cost of price subsidies are estimated at \$27 billion in the current five-year plan, which ends in 1980.

As a result, the cost of food, housing and basic living supplies is low, but the prices on appliances, automobiles and other so-called luxury goods are high.

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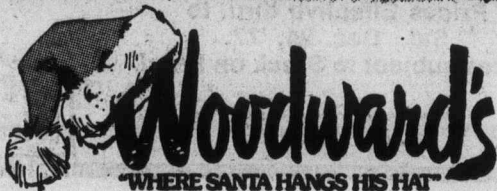
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B.C. farmers studying U.S. price strike tactics

B.C. farmers are watching their American counterparts with interest.

The B.C. Federation of Agriculture, representing about 11,000 farmers, said Wednesday that it supports striking American farmers and is "in sympathy with their objectives."

A federation spokesman said in an interview in Victoria that "a strike is something that's being considered but we're not to that point yet."

"We don't want to close the doors that this wouldn't happen next year."

The spokesman, relaying a message from a meeting of the federation's executive in Kelowna, said that B.C. farmers were "optimistic" they would achieve their ends through consultation with the provincial government.

Farmers are negotiating with the government for an income assurance program.

A report prepared by the agriculture ministry last week calls for a "radical alteration" of the assurance program.

The program is operated on insurance principles and makes producers eligible for indemnity payments cover-

ing up to 75 per cent of their losses.

The spokesman said that low farm prices and unstable incomes, contributing factors to the U.S. strike, are facts of life for B.C. farmers.

"There's a lot of dissatisfaction in the farming sector, but we've just entered into negotiations with the government on income assurance."

"We think we can reach our objectives through consultation."

The spokesman said the U.S. strike was being carried out by a cross-section of farmers who "don't feel the government is coming through with the farm programs that Carter promised them."

B.C. farmers are "watching the strike with interest," she said.

The visual image of food, such as milk, being dumped is "upsetting to our mentality."

But the mere dumping of food doesn't get the point across unless "the visual image carries a political message, and it won't be effective unless all, not just a few, farmers join in."

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Minister orders control

Vaccine costs to jump 125%

Health Minister Robert McClelland ordered public health officers Wednesday to maintain tighter cost control over immunization programs.

McClelland said his order did not mean immunization programs were about to be abandoned.

"But we have been notified that one of the major Canadian pharmaceutical firms will be increasing the cost of all its immunizing agents by 125 per cent on April 1, 1978," McClelland said. U.S. pharmaceutical firms are also expected to increase the cost of their immunizing drugs by similar amounts.

One of the drugs facing the highest cost increases is the immunization agent protecting against polio.

"When the Sabin oral vaccine was first introduced, it cost nine cents a dose," McClelland said. "Next year it will cost the government 96 cents a dose."

Dr. A. A. Larsen of the health ministry said that years ago the purchase of vaccines was "a motherhood thing... It was the general feeling that the cost was so low that, as it does prevent disease, let's purchase all we need and get on with it."

Today, Larsen said, "we have to consider cost effectiveness. The costs are such that we have to consider that we are getting maximum value for every dollar spent. In the past, we haven't been doing that."

McClelland has asked health officials to "keep wastage to a minimum and ensure that immunization programs are operated in the most efficient manner."

Larsen said that statement did not mean that in the past there had been deliberate waste or inefficiency.

"What we are saying is that we must, in these days of rising costs, balance convenience with efficiency," Larsen said.

He added that the theoreti-

cal ideal was not always easy to achieve.

"We have one vaccine which we buy in 25-dose containers," he said. "After we use one or two doses, we have to throw the rest away. We have checked with the manufacturer and have found that the price of the vaccine in a single-dose container is the same as the price for the 25-dose container. In other words, the container costs more than the vaccine."

Even so, Larsen said he thought savings could be effected by more careful purchasing and by a general tightening-up of use procedures.

44,000 vehicles recalled

WASHINGTON (AP) — About 22,000 Plymouth, Dodge and Chrysler 1978 model cars and about 24,000 Dodge 1977 and 1978 light trucks in the U.S. are being recalled to correct potential defects.

Chrysler Corp. estimates that two per cent of the cars may have steering shafts containing a coupling pin which could fall out, resulting in a loss of steering.

Involved are Plymouth Volares and Furys; Dodge Aspens, Monacos, Chargers and Diplomats, and Chrysler Cordobas and LeBarons, with tilt steering columns, which were manufactured between mid-September through early October.

The light-truck recall involves club cab models manufactured between August, 1976, and August, 1977. Fuel lines may have been improperly placed, allowing abrasion that could cause leakage.

Highway toll 526 for nine months

The motor vehicle branch reported this week that 526 people died on B.C. highways during the first nine months of this year.

The branch said 23,782 people were injured during the same period.

The branch said a new, more comprehensive reporting method made it difficult to compare statistics with those of 1976.

Last year, there were 439 deaths and 17,638 injuries reported as of Sept. 30.

The branch said there were 80,004 traffic incidents in the first nine months of 1977, involving 138,854 vehicles.

Of that total, 63,707 in-

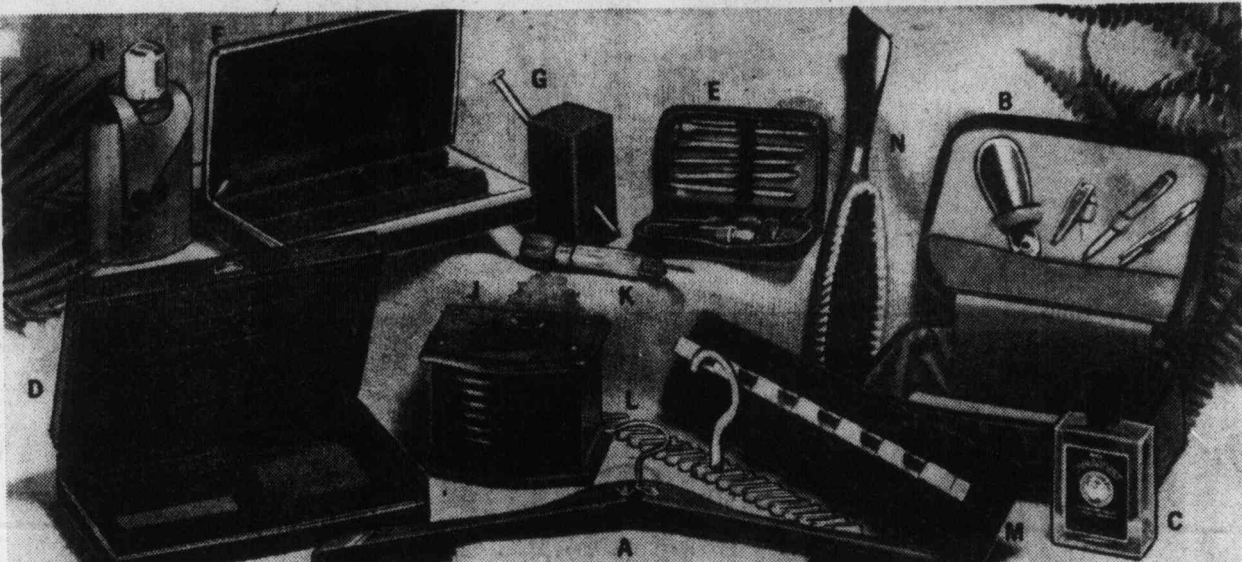
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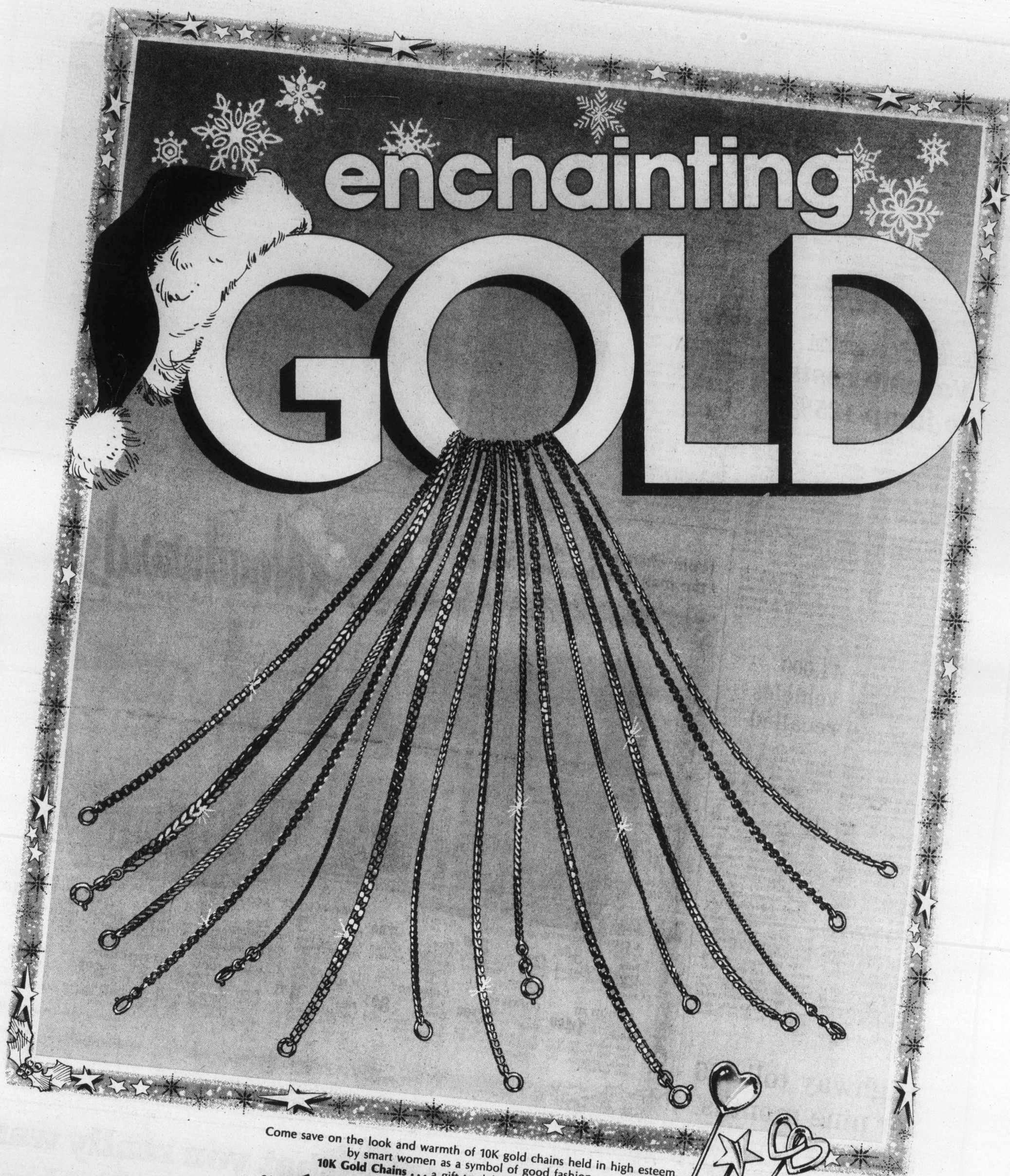
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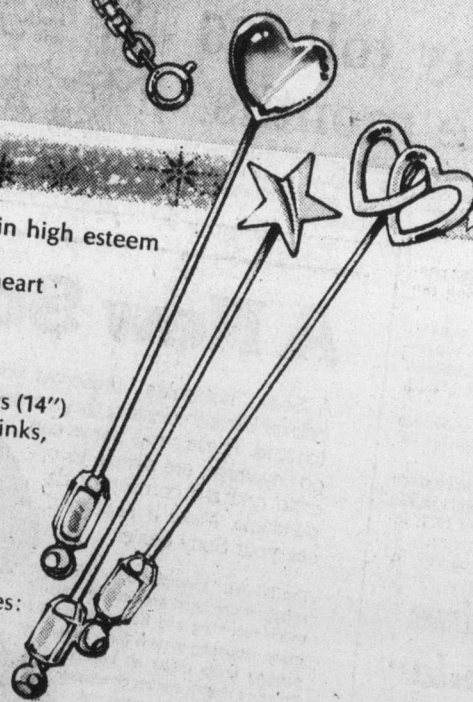
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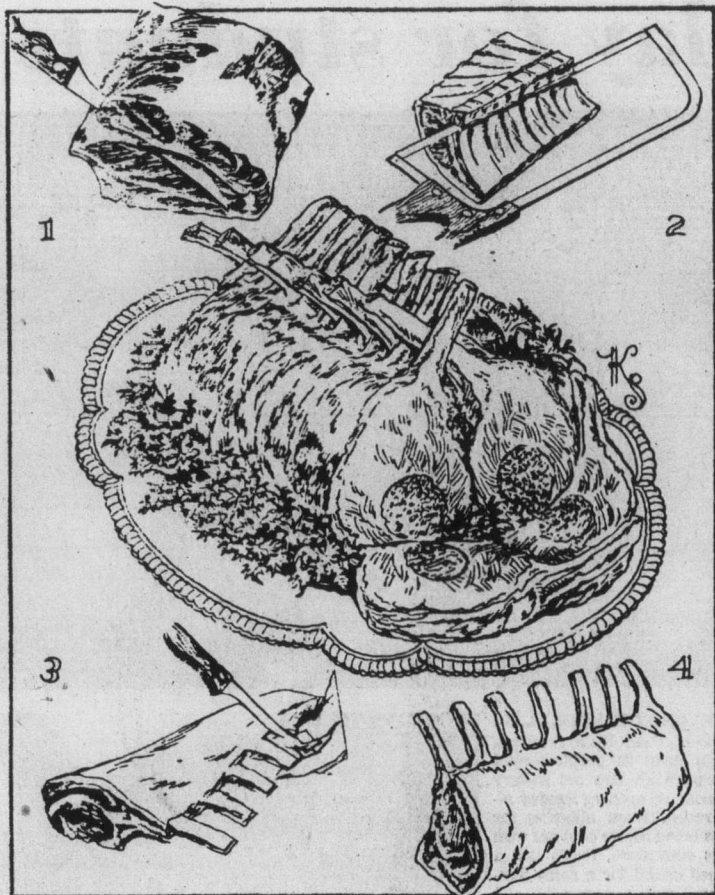
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By Barbara Gibbons

Who says chicken soup has to be as bland and as boring as bed rest? Carrots and celery are okay, but what about curry or chili? Cumin or clove? Peppers, apples or prunes? Today, we tell you how to add some excitement to chicken soup... without a lot of calories.

EAST INDIAN CHICKEN CHOWDER
This spicy main course is a cross between a soup and a stew, a simplified main course inspired by Mulligatawny. Chicken thighs are ideal for this dish, since each contains only one large bone. Serve the chowder in large shallow soup plates with knives and forks (for the chicken and vegetables) and soup spoons (for the spicy, savory broth.)

8 chicken thighs
paprika
10½ ounce can condensed chicken broth, skimmed of fat
1 cup tomato juice
4 cups water
2 carrots, sliced
2 onions, peeled and sliced
2 stalks celery, thinly sliced
4 tablespoons chopped parsley
4 tablespoons raw brown rice
1 bay leaf
½ teaspoon nutmeg
pinch of ground clove
½ green bell pepper, cut in thin strips
2 small red unpeeled apples, diced

Spray a large skillet or chicken fryer with cooking spray for no-fat frying. Brown the chicken pieces skin-side down until skin is crisp and well-rendered of fat. Drain and discard fat. Turn chicken skin-side up and sprinkle with paprika. Add remaining ingredients.

except apple. Cover and simmer until chicken is tender, about 40 minutes or more. Skim fat from surface of broth. Add diced apple and simmer only until heated through. Serve in large shallow soup plates with knife, fork and soup spoon. Makes four main course servings, under 275 calories each.

MEXICAN CHICKEN SOUP
Makes good use of those "useless" chicken partsneck, back, wings, gizzard and heart of 1 frying chicken.
4 cups water
salt and pepper to taste
1 carrot, thinly sliced
2 stalks celery, in 2-inch lengths
1 small onion, peeled and chopped
1 clove garlic, peeled and chopped
½ small red or green bell pepper, diced
1 tablespoon raw rice
2 tablespoons parsley, chopped
pinch of oregano, ground cumin, chili powder
Combine chicken, water, salt and pepper in soup pot. Cover and simmer one hour or more, until meat falls from bones. Strain liquid into bowl and chill until fat rises to the surface and hardens. Remove and discard fat. Remove chicken meat from bones and discard bones.

Combine fat-skimmed broth with remaining ingredients in soup pot. Simmer until vegetables are tender, about 20 to 30 minutes. Add

Pole kills

COPAIGUE, N.Y. (AP) — An eight-year-old boy who was leaning out the window of a school bus was killed Wednesday when his head struck a telephone pole, police said.

Honor guard pork roast grand

The Butcher

by Merle Ellis

'Tis the season for grand and elegant meals, for entertaining friends, for splurging more than a bit, perhaps, in order to insure that every holiday dinner. It's easy to blow a food budget clear out of sight being festive and elegant for the holidays. Easy, but not necessary. Not with an Honor Guard Roast of inexpensive pork.

One of the markets in my neighborhood had a special last week on rib-end pork loin roasts at 89 cents a pound. Now there is nothing elegant or festive about a rib-end pork loin roast. It has always been considered family fare. It is not the leanest roast on the pig and it has a bit more bone than the centre cuts of the loin, but at 89 cents a pound it's a pretty good buy. I decided to see just how festive I could be at a bargain price.

The rib-end of the pork loin is comparable in terms of anatomy to the large end of the prime rib of the beef. It comes off the pig as the rib comes off the beef, from right behind the shoulder. In addition to the rib and back bones, the rib-end of the pork loin also contains a small portion of the animal's shoulder blade bone.

When selecting rib-ends, always look for the largest. A rib-end with six or seven ribs is a much better buy than one with only three or four ribs, since the larger roast contains more of the tender and expensive centre cuts. The rib-ends I found on special were big. I picked out two, each with seven ribs and approximately the same size.

Turning a couple of inexpensive roasts into festive fare fit for company requires only a sharp knife, a little flair and either a helpful butcher or a hacksaw.

Assuming a helpful butcher, ring the bell and ask him to "saw through the chine bone" so you can remove the chine and feather bones. If he looks at you as if you don't know what you're talking about, it's because he doesn't know what you're talking about. Don't try to educate him; you will only succeed in confusing both of you. Take your rib-end roasts, go home and do it yourself.

First remove the small portion of the shoulder blade (Fig. 1) — run the blade of your boning knife under the blade bone visible at the large end of the roast. The blade bone is flat on the under side, so just slide the knife along the bone until you have loosened the entire bone and can lift it off. Set the blade bone and the meat that surrounds it to one side. We'll deal with that later.

Next, if the butcher didn't

do it, loosen the chine. The butcher could have done this with his electric meat saw, but you can do it yourself if you must. You'll need a saw — it doesn't have to be a meat saw, although they're nice to have — a hacksaw with a clean blade will work well. Saw through the rib bones (Fig. 2) so that you can loosen and remove the backbone portion, leaving only the rib bones in the meat.

Next French the rib bones. In the meat business French means to expose the bones about an inch or so from the ends of the ribs. Trim all the meat from around the rib bones (Fig. 3) so that each rib is nice and neat and well-trimmed (Fig. 4). To hold the roast in shape, it may be necessary to tie a string around it between each rib.

Two such rib-ends placed so that their rib bones cross form an elegant — and in this case inexpensive — Honor Guard Roast.

There will be quite a good amount of lean pork trimming left over from making such a roast — the meat

around the blade bone as well as the meat removed from on top of and between the rib bones. Save all of that to make sausage.

If you are ambitious you can make your own curried bratwurst with which to stuff your Honor Guard of Pork for a truly handsome and inexpensive holiday feast. A pork roast stuffed with bratwurst or kielbasa or almost any sausage for that matter is a

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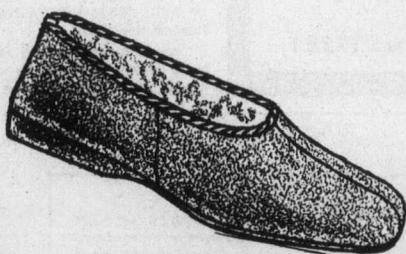
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2 whole chicken breasts
1½ teaspoons salt, or to taste
3 cups water
10 ounce can chicken broth
4 cups sliced leeks, or 4 onions, sliced
18 pitted dried prunes
12 peppercorns

Trim all visible fat from chicken. Place in a large pot with salt and water to cover. Simmer, covered, about one hour, or until chicken is tender. Remove chicken from broth; set aside to cool. Skim canned and cooked broths of all fat. Combine.

Slice the white part of the leeks; add to chicken stock along with prunes and peppercorns. Cover, and continue simmering 20 minutes more. Meanwhile, remove skin and bones, cut chicken in strips. Add to soup and heat through. Makes four main dish servings, 235 calories each, or eight soup course servings at 115 calories each.

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By JIM GIBSON
Columnist Staff

It's hard to imagine anyone making it through more than one university English course and not coming up against Christopher Marlowe's Doctor Faustus. It's a play more often read — likely then, only to fulfil a course requirement — than performed.

Perhaps then, it is not surprising that Michael Boucher's production which had a short run last week at the Phoenix Theatre left one with a certain feeling of academic distance. This tale of the man who sells his soul for supernatural powers never really took off in this ostensibly student production.

In fact, the most probable intrigue came from deducing just where it was Boucher was trying to go and just what was his interpretation.

The Arts

The feeling is that, yes, Boucher with all his eerie music, choreographed chorus and lighting was on to something — presumably the inner workings of Faustus' soul. But he was not able to pull it off for a number of reasons ranging from poor lighting to a lumpy, unsteady chorus to the very limitations of UVic student actors.

Faculty member Carl Hare made for a studied, unobtrusive Faustus but his passions and turmoil remained something to be watched rather than shared. As his Mephistophilis, Eric Low was deathly dead-pan, completely devoid of any edge of irony. To be fair, both these actors were replacements when the originals disappeared somewhere or another.

Boucher had an exceedingly large cast to contend with, only Michael Bianchin in two small parts bringing any energy or hint of talent to the stage.

Helen Jarvis, who darted about the stage in a number of nubile parts, was also responsible for the set, consisting of a number of ramps, platforms and thrust stage

over which hung a glittery mobile. Essentially it was all rather attractive but in the case of the thrust stage — something different for the Phoenix — Boucher made tentative use of it at best. Just why he bothered ordering its construction for seemingly such little use remains one of the mysteries of the production.

MUSICAL NOTES...Now Valdy isn't The Messiah — maybe he is for some — so there isn't much chance of many concert goers being torn in two over whether to attend the conservatory's first part of Handel's Messiah Friday night or going to The Belfry for the singer whom the press release describes as "a honey-haired homespun gent."

But there's a way out for Valdy-Messiah lovers in that the singer, said to have sold more albums in the country than any other than Gordon Lightfoot, is back again Saturday night at The Belfry.

Incidentally, the conservatory's Messiah is the conception of early music specialist James Kennedy who is taking a 1776 London performance of the Handel masterpiece as the basis for this performance. The soloists include Richard Morrison and Selena James among other Boucher

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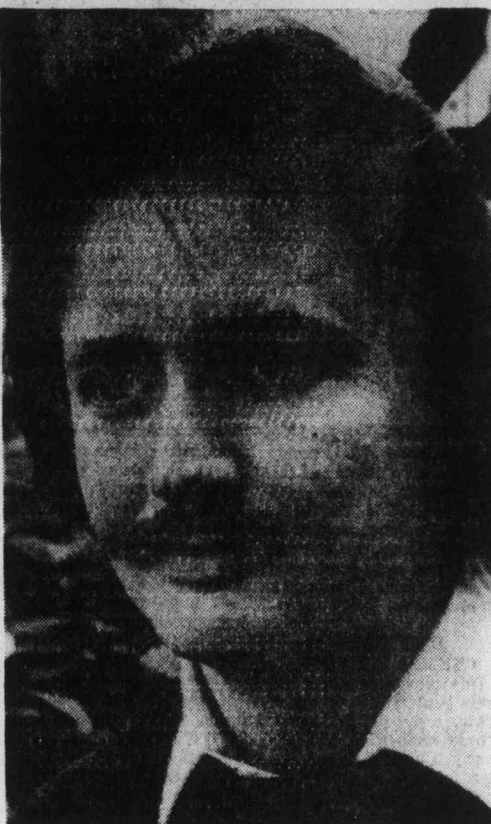
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The Amity Singers move to Christ Church Cathedral Friday and Saturday night for a concert of Christmas music from the 16th to 20th centuries. Guest conductor is former Victorian and now the conductor of the Canadian Opera Company's touring orchestra, Timothy Vernon. Joining the Amity Singers is the UVic-based Western Brass Quintet.



Valdy
to sing
at The Belfry
Friday
Saturday

BEYOND THE FRINGE...An elated Paul Kyle reported that about 400 people passed through his new art gallery during its opening Sunday afternoon. Even allowing for his being 50 per cent out with his enthusiasm, that's still a good crowd for a rainy Sunday. He even managed to sell one of Neil Dalrymple's sculptures (the one that accompanied this column on Sunday) which was something he thought would take him a few days...Michael Boucher is convinced that his production of Dr. Faustus was "jinxed" as he told the *Scribe* Saturday night. He needed two sets of leads plus a couple of other fill-ins before it made it to the Phoenix stage. Once there, the production seemed plagued by enough back injuries that one caustic observer quipped: "What this production really needs is a good physiotherapist"...local arts organizations are banding together to provide more clout against certain problem areas in the community. Watch one go public soon in its attempt to get more money from local municipalities...one of the more sobering comments heard last week came from Art Gallery director Roger Boulet when he said: "When I spend 75 per cent of the time worrying about finances the institution suffers." Come to think of it, Boulet was also depressed about the weather...Richard Brownsey at the Belfry has a campaign to re-do the seats. For \$50 he'll put yours or anyone else's name on one after recovering and padding it. Somehow he talked the *Scribe*, no stranger to vanity,



Vernon guest conducts Amity

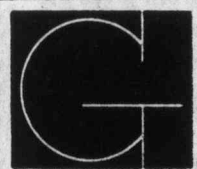
into buying one which will be his first and only and probably most significant contribution to the arts...interesting to see what will come out of that meeting Rec and Con minister Sam Bawlf held

last week with locals interested in establishing some sort of permanent festival for Victoria. Apparently everyone likes the idea, but just where to start? At the beginning folks, at the beginning.

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Inflation squeezes out annual office party

HAMILTON (CP) — The continuing poor state of the economy appears to be putting pressure on the annual office party.

Some parties have been cancelled and others, reflecting a change in style and attitude, are less ostentatious than in the past.

Caterers, hotels and banquet rooms, feeling the economic pinch, confirm the of-

fice party trade is down and people are more cost-conscious about their celebrations.

Dave Whiteford, manager of Max Mintz Catering Service, said "business is a little down."

"I don't think we have as many office parties as before," he said. "I think everybody is a little bit short of money."

Val Visca, owner of a banquet centre, said some long-time customers have cancelled this year.

"We had one factory that has been coming here for 10 years and they cancelled this year because of budget cuts," he said.

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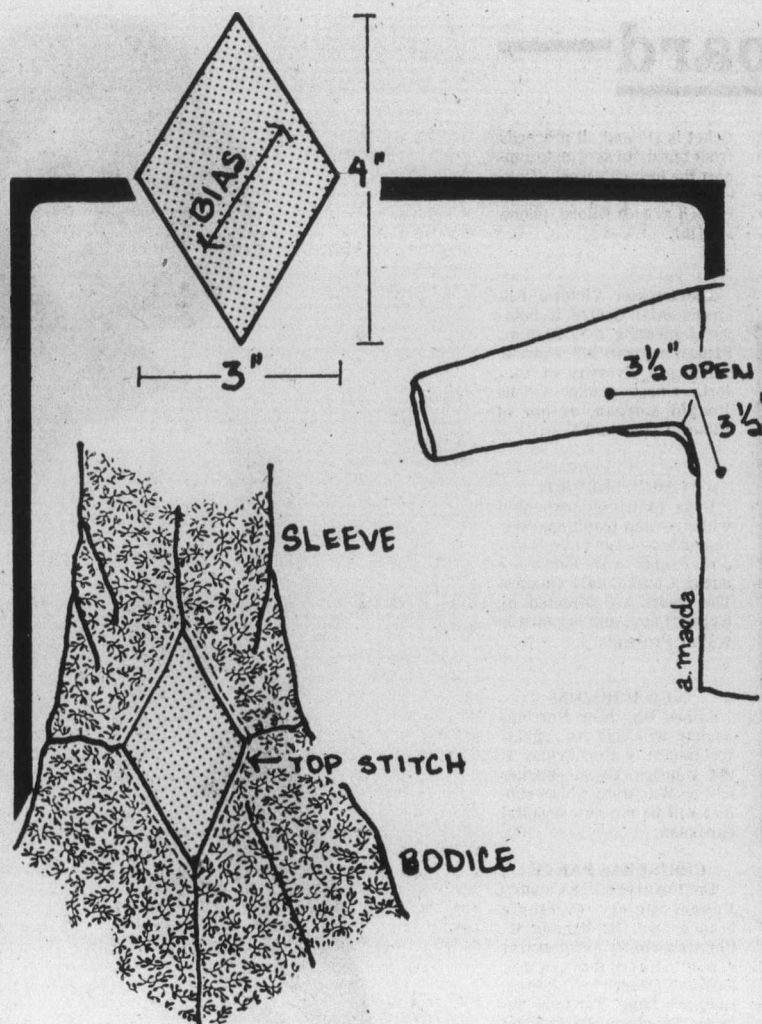
imported ethnic clothing decorated with embroidery or other time-consuming handwork. Very often I find the handwork beautiful but the cut of the garment strange. For me, these garments are likely to be too tight under the arms.

There is a simple solution to this particular fitting problem — the insertion of a small gusset under the arms. The word gusset suggests a difficult procedure but, in fact, it's possible to insert one in a matter of ten minutes.

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Dear Ann Landers: A woman who signed herself "Hate To See It" asked what a mother-in-law can do to get her son's wife to clean up her filthy house. Your answer was M.Y.O.B.

I have a very nice (but hot-tempered) daughter-in-law who keeps her home like a pigsty and I do mind my own business. I figure if she doesn't object to cockroaches running up and down her kitchen cabinets and if my son can put up with bedbugs, it's their problem, not mine.

What does bother me, however, is the fear that they might bring their animal life into my home. They visit twice a week and I always worry about them starting a family of bugs here. Any suggestions? — New Kind of Problem

Dear New: Keep your eyes open and the spray can ready — just in case. If it will make you feel better, arrange to have exterminators come in a couple of times a year.

Dear Ann Landers: My heart aches for the Weekend Fathers who must watch their children being destroyed by the ex-wife. I am not a Weekend Fa-

ther. I am a sideline mother. When I was single I dated three divorced men and it was heartbreaking to see the circumstances that their children lived under just because the mother was granted custody — one in particular whose ex was living with her lover. Not only were the children confused but both had been molested — a boy and a girl. In spite of this the father still could not get custody of his children.

I am now married to a man who has been married before. His former wife has men in and out of the house constantly. The children have at various times slipped us notes asking if they could live with us. We would love to have them but the judge says the mother is better for the children.

I worked for years as a legal secretary and saw women who were not fit to raise a dog granted custody of children while a devoted father was pushed into the background. What can be done? — Hurting

Dear Hurting: Get a good lawyer — plus strong evidence — and fight this inequity. The custody picture is changing, and it's about time.

Dear Ann Landers: After 33 years of a very happy marriage, my loving, devoted husband passed away. I wear my wedding band on my left hand as I always have, and I intend to carry his name as long as I live.

If a man wants to enjoy my company, buy me dinner or take me to a film or play, fine, but I think the presence of my ring will serve as an ever-present reminder that all I want is company and that's all he is going to get, too.

Do you agree with me, Ann? Some of my women friends don't. May I hear from you? — Faithful Forever In New England

Dear Faithful: Your letter borders on the belligerent. Why are you so combative? If you want to wear your wedding ring, go ahead and wear it. Most widows do. As for changing your name — why even think about it until somebody asks you?

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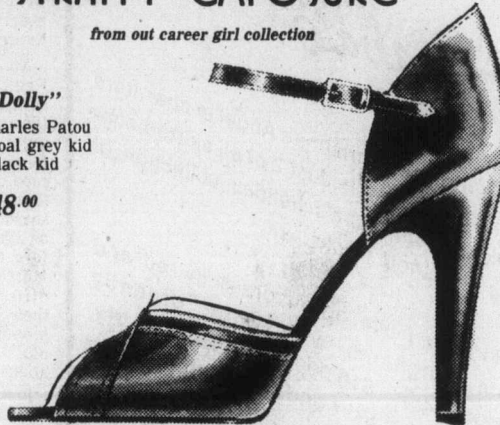
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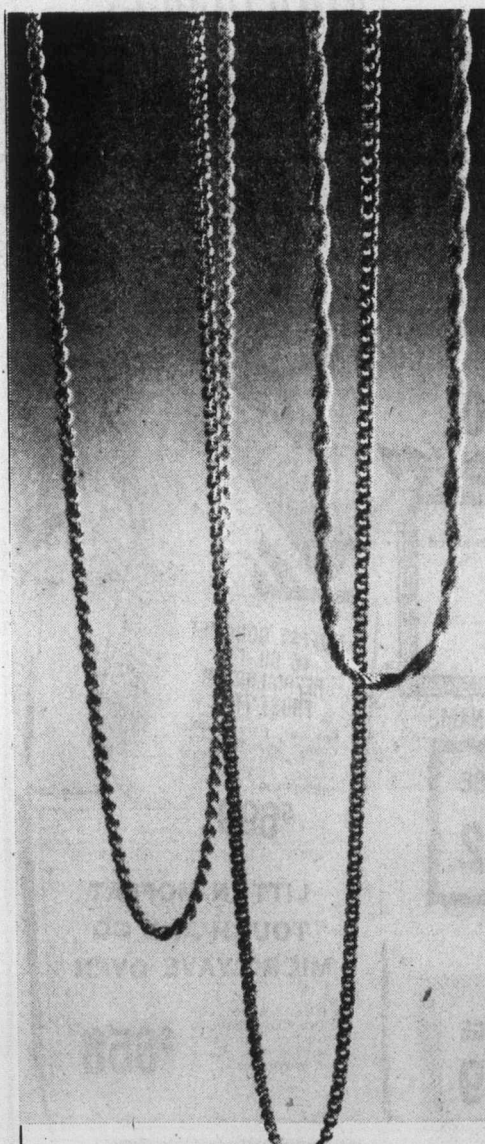
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The Greater Victoria Environmental Centre is holding a meeting at 7:30 p.m. Friday in room 373, Cornett building, University of Victoria. Guest speaker will be Ronald Morgan, author of *Victoria Then and Now*.

CAROL SERVICE

Boys of Glenlyon School will give their traditional service of lessons and carols at 7 p.m. Friday in St. John's Anglican Church, 1611 Quadra. The choir is directed by Rupert Lang, and organist is Walter Prossnitz.

NEW HORIZONS

James Bay New Horizons Society will hold its regular meeting at 10 a.m. Friday at 234 Menzies. Guest speaker will be Win Mott, whose subject will be the new hospital care plan.

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French push folklore

PARIS, France — To belt or not to belt? Minis or mid-calf hemlines? Ballons, tents, billowing chemise dresses? Or the prophetic slimmer silhouettes exemplified by Saint Laurent and Kenzo?

No one can argue with the French connections for spring and summer because they're all served up with great aplomb by the ready-to-wear designers. In Europe, where there is no such thing as a midwinter cruise season, these goodies will not be available in the shops before the tulips bloom next March, but buyers from 29 different countries made their weighty decisions last month, and the "new ethnics" range almost as far afield.

Folklore as we have known it for the past two years has walked out the door marked "exit" but fashion, being eternally fickle, looks toward different geographical locations and eras for inspiration. Just when professional buyers believed that ethnic influence had reached the last extreme, along came Kenzo with his Nehru tunics and pirate styles from Treasure Island, samba and Creole dresses at Saint Laurent, and Marc Bohan's trip to Trouville with "Gigi" plus an occasional punk rocker who finally made it across the channel.

Salient silhouettes range from the enormously full balloon skirts and floating smock and chemise styles (the delight of any mama-to-be or other women with fuller figures) to the slender Indian-inspired tunics, cropped jackets, and raja pants at Kenzo and Saint Laurent's functional athletic gear with long blousons and gathered trousers.

Hemlines range from minis, often Grecian inspired in fluid jerseys with blouson tops, down to low-calf lengths worn with opaque stockings and high-heeled ankle-wrap sandals or flat-heeled dancing pumps and espadrilles.

Waistlines are either nonexistent beneath the full smocks and tiered tents or are cinched, a la Valentino, with wide corselet belts and cummerbunds in a contrasting color or print fabric. Going full circle, the ultimate extremes are the cartwheel dresses cut so large that as the mannequin picks up the hem of her skirt at each side and holds it above her shoulders, the silhouette contrives a complete circle.

Double, even triple skirts are everywhere. The chic approach next summer will be to let your slip show, especially when it is ruched with lace or cotton eyelet embroidery. Creole dresses are frothed with ruffles edging skirts draped and tied up on one hip. Samba dresses, sometimes reminiscent of the '30s, feature the long, tight midriff worked in smocking or elastic shirring from off-

shoulder flounced neckline to the top of the thighs.

Some of the prettiest stylized looks for late day wear are the lingerie dresses starring in Karl Lagerfeld's beautiful collection for Chloe. Boudoir fashions in sheer transparent fabrics trimmed with a sea of ruffles step out after dark. Next summer many a maiden may end up wearing her nightgown to a party: demure high-neck gowns in white or old ivory-colored handkerchief cottons or siren dresses in see-through black chiffon with lace insets.

Trousers are back everywhere though there's hardly a classic pair of tailored pants in sight. Kenzo stars his pirate pants in baggy effects. Other designers like trousers widened via tucks over the hip line and tapered down to calf length with roll-up or quilted cuffs. There are convertible effects draped and knotted round the ankles and umpteen fantasies with knickers, rompers, and Bermudas beneath dirndl skirts slit up the front to the waistline.

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Some adults — and they aren't rare — fantasize this time of year, pretending there's a Santa.

They'd like to go all the way back to childhood and the believing days. Don't scoff at the notion.

Haven't you ever wished you could have a Santa myth as it affects little children, larger ones and adults was the main focus during an interview with Dr. Robert Brooks, teacher at the Harvard University Medical School's Department of Psychiatry.

Brooks also talked about the need to fantasize and told how it can help one get over normal holiday blues.

He is director also of Out-patient Child Psychology at Hall-Mercer Children's Centre, McLean Hospital, Belmont, Mass. That is one of the nation's leading private psychiatric hospitals and a division of Massachusetts General Hospital.

"We all like to believe in Santa," Brooks said.

"My own feeling is that if a child asks honestly about Santa, he should be told the truth. I don't think there is anything bad psychologically in that.

"By the time kids begin school, as a matter of fact, they have a sense of no Santa Claus."

Knowing that Mom and Dad play Santa won't destroy the tendency to want to believe in a Santa — a feeling that comes alive even among adults at holiday time.

"Why is it that adults like to believe?" Brooks asked.

"Hopefully, it's the child part in all of us that looks longingly to Santa."

"We all have so many pressures and it is nice to suspend reality now and then. It is important, however, to realize that we are suspending reality to fulfill certain wishes."

"Sharing and believing in Santa with our own small children helps to make alive

again our own warm childhood experiences."

Such day-dreaming, according to the psychologist, makes alive happier times, innocent memories.

"All of us at times must be able to suspend reality and get away from the pressures. We do it with our children other times of the year when we read them fairy tales or help build sand castles," he said.

"Fantasy and daydreams help us to test our solutions to life's problems in a harmless way. Often it helps us and has calming influence."

Even the story of Scrooge fits in nicely in the fantasy life of the holidays, according to Brooks.

"It ends happily and shows us that even mean and cold situations can change for the better, that badness can change into goodness. There's a certain magic about that Christmas tale."

On a more practical note, Brooks got into do's and don'ts for parents helping Santa to select gifts for the children at Christmas.

He had these tips. To wit: ● Don't use gifts as a bargaining point. Children should learn that gifts are given out of a desire to please someone you care for, not as rewards for good behavior or punishments for being bad.

● Do examine your own motivation. In gift giving he warned against giving gifts in hopes of winning a child's love or compensating for what lax parents perceive as missing in their parenting. Children often sense the ulterior motive.

● Do look for ways to counter the now traditional commercialism of Christmas. Use this season as a time to teach children that the holidays represent more than the presents advertised on television.

● Don't go into shock to provide your children with toys you can't afford. Tell your child honestly about

your situation and look for ways within your means to reinforce the specialness of the holidays. It's okay for children to be disappointed. What's important is that the insecurities which often accompany financial difficulties are countered by a celebration that reinforces the family's solidarity.

● On the other hand, don't be afraid to fulfill your children's wishes if they're within reason, and within your means. But be sure the child has other experiences that teach him not all desires are gratified instantly.

● Shop carefully for gifts that best match your children's interests and their cognitive level. Many toy stores carry games that are not only fun but also help children to develop cognitive skills.

On holiday blues, the psychologist said a certain amount of Christmas depression is normal in adults.

There's all that tinsel, the colorful lights, the happy and sentimental songs.

"Actually, we're bombarded with happiness and messages of love all over the place," Brooks said.

"That bombardment can make you depressed, too. You feel, for example, you're not happy the way everyone's supposed to be this time of year."

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One of the biggest sources of holiday blues for adults is thinking of all the folks on the family tree who aren't there anymore.

"You think of parents and other relatives and you feel sad," Brooks said.

"There's nothing pathological about that."

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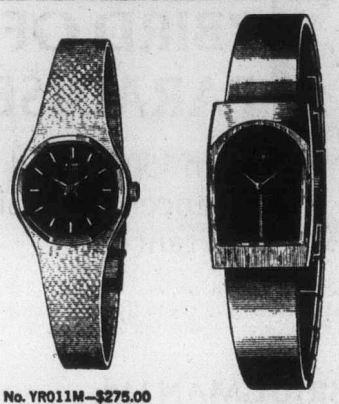
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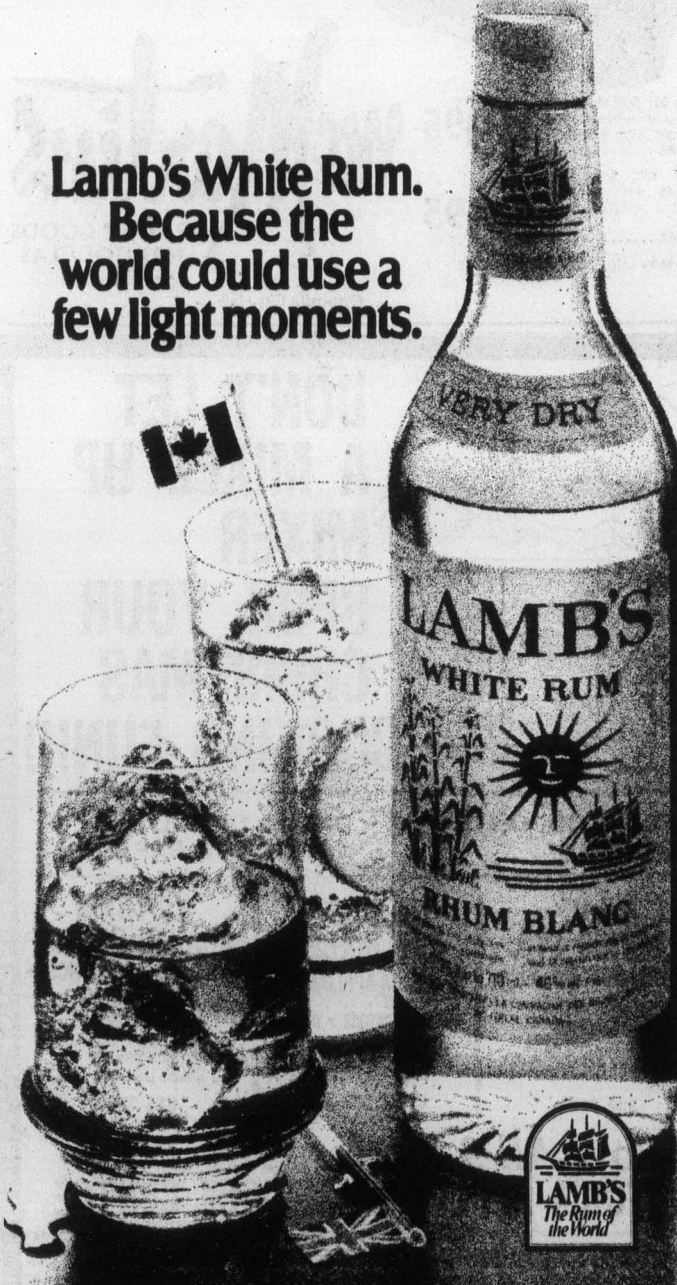
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The jury in the Phillips fraud trial is to retire today to consider its verdict after nine days of hearings.

Crown counsel Dermot Owen-Flood and defence counsel Bruce McConnan gave their summations Wednesday and Judge E.J.C. Stewart is to address the jury this morning.

Lauren Gail Phillips, 31, of Saanich is accused of 18 counts of fraud involving 15 individuals and three companies and \$55,140. The counts are dated between June, 1976, and March, 1977.

Owen-Flood told the jury that Phillips, by her own testimony, admitted that she did the acts charged against her and that she made, to most of the people listed in the indictment, directly or indirectly, a false representation, "a lie," that she was working for lawyers on estate sales and she could produce articles for vastly reduced prices.

He said Phillips admitted this story was "lies, that it was all a spiel, a hoax, a phony."

It didn't matter whether she made the representations directly or indirectly. She was "relying on the basic greed of human nature" that people would make inquiries about the origin of "these large, flashy cars."

He argued that she knew her brother, Michael, was also making these representations and that it was open for the jury to infer that she knew her mother and father, Harry and Sheila Anderson, were doing the same thing.

While Phillips had said she didn't intend to defraud anyone, Owen-Flood said it was open to the jury to conclude "that her evidence does not hang true."

He said police seized \$40,000 worth of furniture from the Leslie Drive house of her parents, where she lives, and the crown suggested that the parents paid one-tenth of the normal price for this. In addition, Phillips gave "colossal gifts" to certain friends and neighbors.

The crown said it was no defence to say that she intended to deliver the goods or give a refund. He noted that she never told anyone the estate sales scheme was a hoax.

He said all the witnesses swore they believed the representations made to them about estate sales and would not have become involved if they thought the representations false.

"She told them it was a genuine transaction, the estate sales, and that, the crown says, was the fraud," he said.

Her motive was no defence, he argued, saying it was an offence to rob a bank even if the proceeds were given to crippled children.

He called attention to car

transfer documents in which the buyer-seller portion was ripped out so the true origin of the cars would not be known, and said that was consistent with the crown's argument that there was a fraud.

McConnan said the defence's case was that Phillips did not intend to defraud the people listed in the indictment and that she intended to supply the goods or refund the money.

She had told the court about the gifts of automobiles to her mother, her brother and a family friend, Ronald Morton, which she felt they would accept only with some sort of story, and thus the estate sales story began. Morton "broadcast" the story on his own and wasn't asked to do so by Phillips.

He went through the stories the various witnesses gave to court, pointing out that a number of them heard the estate sales story from people other than Phillips and arguing that Phillips did not induce them to place orders with her.

Morton "perpetuated the story Phillips gave to him, in good faith" but McConnan argued that "a lot of his evidence is lacking in credibility," pointing to differences between his testimony at the

preliminary hearing and at the trial, saying Morton had "changed his story substantially."

McConnan said the "common attitude" of the witnesses in court was that they "didn't care where the goods came from as long as they didn't get into trouble."

He said the witnesses weren't about to admit they didn't care where the goods came from because they were embarrassed. He argued that the witnesses were going to say they believed Phillips estate sales story.

McConnan quoted an old English fraud case in which it was said "Let no man be indicted for having made a fool of his neighbor." He said this statement was apropos of the witnesses heard by the jury.

He described as the most important piece of evidence the three receipt books which Phillips kept and turned over to Saanich police.

"Giving receipts to all those people, does that suggest someone who has a guilty, criminal mind?" asked McConnan.

When Wednesday's proceedings opened, Judge Stewart said the jury had been reduced by one man who had been excused after

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Project brings clash over land

Saanich planner Gil Laurenson and the South Saanich Farmers' Institute hold differing views on whether 13 acres adjacent to the Royal Oak Inn should be removed from the Agricultural Land Reserve to permit construction of a convention centre, recreation area, swimming pool and 80-room hotel expansion.

Laurenson is recommending that council not support Joseph Isherwood and John Oliver's request for exclusion from the ALR while the institute supports the removal request.

The soil classification, according to the Canada Land Inventory, is as good as any agricultural land other than flood plain areas, on the Saanich Peninsula, the planner told council's lands, planning and housing committee Tuesday.

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An ideal Christmas gift for dress or sport! Icelandic pattern front, back and raglan sleeve. 100% acrylic in asst. colors.

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99^c
Sale

Good quality. 100% nylon brief with elasticized waist band and leg. Asst. colors. Sizes S.M.L.

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Reg. 1.98 to 2.49 3⁰⁰
Sale

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Ladies' Fashion Knee Socks

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Sale

Nylon and acrylic blends in a good assortment of stripes and heathers for fall. One size fits all.

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4⁴⁴
Sale

Fantastic assortment of 'Canadian Made' long and short gowns, P.J.'s, and Dorm Sets in asst. colors. Sizes S.M.L. and Oversize. Great for gifting!

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Sale

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Men's Rugby Stripe Sweater Shirt

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Long sleeved, polo collar shirt with 4-button placket front. 100% acrylic. Sizes S.M.L. and XL.

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3³³
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Penman's or Stanfield's quality. Polyester/cotton blend with fly front & elastic waist band. White only. Sizes S.M.L. & XL.

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Asst. new styles for fall in your choice of cardigans and pullovers in 100% acrylic knit. Sizes 4-6X and 7-14.

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4⁹⁹ to 7⁹⁹
Sale

Your choice of velour knit shirts in asst. plain shades or stripes or 7-gauge acrylic knit sweaters in asst. styles and colors. Sizes S.M.L.

AM Digital Clock Radio by Strauss

Reg. 26.99 24⁸⁸
Sale

Softly napped cotton/polyester. Attractive decorator print on a white background. Set contains one fitted bottom sheet, one flat, and one pillow slip. Twin size only.

Perfumed Bath Oil

1⁴⁹
Sale

Boxed for Christmas gift! 12 scented bath oil capsules in asst. colors.

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2⁷⁹
Sale

Rich, dark assortment of tempting treats in a 1-lb. box.

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With heavy sham bottoms. 8 of 5.7 oz., 8 of 9.7 oz., 8 of 12.2 oz. Reg. 8.98.

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Great gift idea in a blend of polyester/acrylic/cotton. Machine wash 'n' dry. Good color selection and matching nylon binding. 72"x84".

'Rio Grandee' Thermal Blanket

8⁹⁹
Sale

Luxury quality, 90% cotton/10% polyester, sheared on one side, reg. looped terry on other. Attractive rose design in asst. colors.

Girls' Long Polyester Skirts

Reg. 4.98 3⁶⁹
Sale

Christmas skirts for those special occasions in asst. prints and plaids. 'Canadian Made'. Sizes 2-6X.

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Reg. 4.98 3³³
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A special selection of soft and warm baby clothing in 100% washable acrylic knit. Sizes to 24 months.

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Whisper soft, fluffy and buoyant with 100% polyester fill. All over printed cotton cover with corded edges. 20"x26".

Terry Bath Sheet

5⁹⁹
Sale

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Towels by 'Caldwell'

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Toddler's Blanket Sleepers by Snuggly

5⁴⁴
Sale

Canadian-made, acrylic fleece sleepers in asst. plain pastels. Sizes S.M.L. and 1, 2, and 3.

Boys' Cotton Denim Blue Jeans

3³³
Sale

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Kiddies' Cotton Polo Pyjamas

Reg. 3.98 3³³
Sale

Novelty, screen printed tops with striped bottoms. Great for gifting! Sizes 2-6X.

Girls' Acrylic Fashion Tops

Reg. 3.49 2⁴⁴
Sale

Choose from assorted long-sleeved turtlenecks or cowl neck styles in a variety of colors. Sizes 8-14.

Girls' Gaucho Pants by Little Mods

Reg. 7.98 4⁴⁹
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Canadian-made, fashionable pants in asst. cotton denim and some corduroys. Sizes 7-14.

Girls' Fussy Christmas Blouses

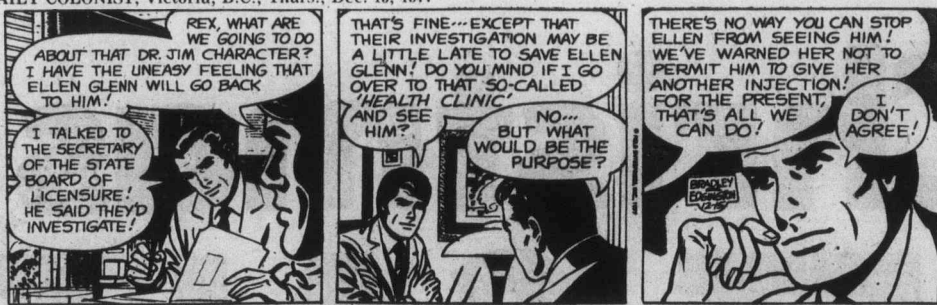
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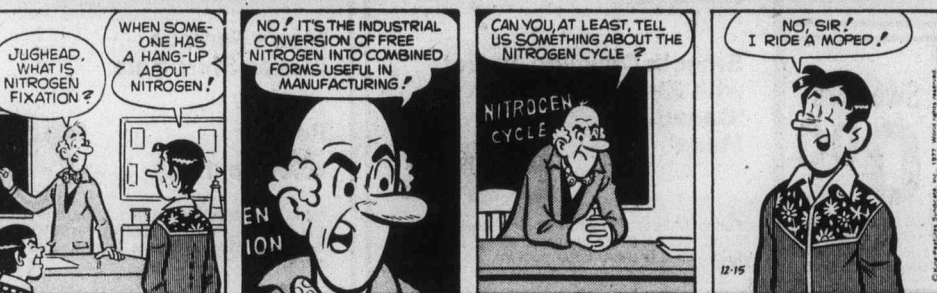
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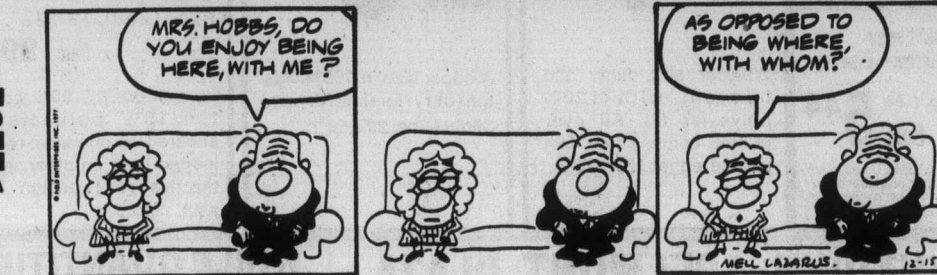
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M. V. Chesnut's Garden Notes

In selecting a garden book as a Christmas gift for some green-thumbed friend or relative, it is necessary to make some distinction between the how-to-do-it manuals and what might be called a gardeners bedside book — something to be dipped into for sheer refreshment and relaxation. There are lots of good manuals around, and I have already written about some of these. The bedside books are harder to come by, and I can't give very much guidance here, as most of mine were picked up in second-hand shops, for they must be long since out of print.

Of these, I think I have had the greatest enjoyment from a series of thin books from England containing the whimsical verses of Reginald Arkell. There are four books in the series: Green Fingers, More Green Fingers, Green Fingers Again and a Green Thumb.

These contain the screwiest, wackiest bits of verse that ever tickled a gardener's funnybone — verses such as Don't Laugh at the Lupins — they're Doing Their Best and a hilarious bit that starts, "I knew a girl who was so pure, she couldn't say the word Manure."

The price marked on the cover of each book says five shillings. I picked up one of them at a second-hand book shop for 75 cents, and was so entranced that I sent to England for the others in the series. The publisher is Herbert Jenkins Ltd., London.

Another book by Reginald Arkell

which I have read at least four times is Old Herbaceous, a most entertaining novel based on the life of an old-time head gardener on a big English country estate. It is a delightful thing, and I bless the day I ran across it in a flea market and bought it for \$1.25.

Two interesting bedside books come from the pen of John H. Tobe, a one-time seedsman and nurseryman of St. Catharines, Ont. One is called Growing by Flowers and the other, Romance in the Garden. These are filled with short anecdotes, essays, folklore, fables, ancient beliefs regarding plants and the like — the kind of thing you like to dip into before going to sleep.

Works of fiction with a gardening flavor seem to be few and far between, but one which I cherish is Blenheim Orange by H. W. Freeman. This is a grand story, and while it is supposed to be pure fiction, I learned more about how to prune black currants and when to harvest walnuts from this novel than from any garden manual.

It is a fairly old book — it was published in 1949 and I bought a copy in 1953 — and for this reason you may have trouble in finding a copy. Keep your eyes open, though, for I came across one in excellent condition at a church bazaar only last year, and bought it immediately for my married daughter.

Another far-from-recent novel that has given me much pleasure is Corn in Egypt by the late Warwick Deeping. This one is closer to farming than to gardening, but a deep and abiding love

of the land is radiated from every page. It is the story of a young accountant who tires of shuffling papers and juggling figures in his London office, and abandons a promising business career to buy and rehabilitate a broken-down small farm in Surrey.

Another of my lucky finds in a book bin is a slim volume called The Reluctant Gardener by Ethelind Fearon, published by Herbert Jenkins, London. The author dedicates her book to the man who is forced by social pressures to work in the garden when he would much rather be doing something else.

It is a most amusing book. In her foreword the author says: "Sooner or later most of us have to give in and be gardeners. When everyone else is growing cabbage for their young (who would much rather eat hot dogs and potato chips), it would look churlish to stand aside. So you become a gardener like the rest, although I hope not quite like all the rest."

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With all its humor, there is a lot of good, commonsense in The Reluctant Gardener. For instance, it says: "Never waste your energy trying to grow a plant. If it wants to die, have the decency to let it die, then go out and buy yourself some other kind which will like you and your soil and live happily with you ever after."

Art Buchwald

Santa Claus was in his office at the North Pole when his wife came in. "There is a delegation of elves outside and they want to talk to you."

"I'll see them in a moment," Santa Claus said as he picked up the phone. "Operator, give me Tokyo. Hello, Tokyo, this is Santa Claus. What happened to that shipment of dolls I ordered from you people in July? ... I know there was a dock strike but I have to have them right away. All right, but if I don't get them in time I'm going to start dealing with the people in Hong Kong."

Santa Claus hung up and told his wife to let the elves in. One of the elves spoke up: "We haven't made any toys for Christmas this year and we want to know why."

"I know it's tough on you," Santa Claus replied, "but I've discovered that I can get them made cheaper in the Far East than have you people make them here."

"But we've been making toys for hundreds of years," an elf said. "It's the only thing we know how to do."

"I'm aware of the problem

but costs have gone up, and it's not economically feasible for me to make my own toys any more. I can get electric trains from Taiwan for half the price that it costs you people to construct them."

"But what are we supposed to do?" an elf asked.

"That's a good question. When I was working for myself I could keep our factory humming. But since I sold out to a conglomerate I have to show a good earnings performance. All they're interested in at the head office is the bottom line."

"We're the best toy makers in the world," an elf said. "When we made toys they lasted for years. Now they last apart on Christmas Day."

"Gentlemen, it's out of my hands. In the old days children used to write me and tell me they wanted a racing car, or Erector set, a doll house or a bicycle. But now they want everything they see on television. I can't give away a toy unless a child has seen it on a TV commercial."

"Last year we got stuck with a million tons of putty because the kids didn't even

know it existed. The head of the conglomerate was furious and said I had to eat it. You can't imagine how miserable they make my life when an item doesn't move."

"Why did you sell out in the first place?" an elf demanded.

"I needed capital," Santa Claus said sadly. "I was unable to compete with the major discount toy companies, and when the conglomerate came to me they made me an offer I couldn't resist. They promised me I could run my operation just as I had in the past and they would not interfere with anything I was doing."

"I believed them. Then I sent in the figures for last year and they hit the ceiling. As you know we've never been a profit-making organization. So they sent up a team of Christmas consultants who said our problem was we were making our toys without paying any attention to cost control. They recommended to the head office that we close the factory in the North Pole and build one in South Korea where elves get paid 50 cents a day."

"So that leaves us out in the cold?" an elf asked.

Santa Claus shrugged. "They said if I couldn't run this operation they would find someone who could. And they meant it. You know how I feel about you little fellows. I've worked with you all my life. But what can I do when the Japanese start dumping Farrah Fawcett dolls down every chimney at a quarter of the price that we can make them for up here?"

"Boy," said an elf, "what a Christmas this is going to be."

"I'm sorry," Santa Claus said, "but that's the way the beach ball bounces."

Donner, one of Santa's reindeer, came charging in. "Is it true we're not going to be working this Christmas?"

Santa's face turned red. "I'm sorry you had to hear it from somebody else, Donner. The conglomerate wants me to use Amalgamated Parcel Service. They say it's cheaper and more efficient than reindeer. The real truth is the conglomerate owns the APS company."

Sydney Harris

By the time my younger son reaches my age, the world's population will have doubled. This is a scary fact when you put it in such concrete terms. As a middle-aged man, he will be living in a world twice as dense with people as we have now.

What is scary about it is not the old Malthusian argument that the population will outrun the food supply — new methods of agriculture and modern technology should have laid that ghost to rest by now.

Nor is it simply a matter of running out of space. There is enough space, as such, in a couple of our Western states to accommodate the whole surplus. Our population density is absurdly light compared to other countries and continents.

But populations do not grow in an evenly distributed pattern, and that is the core of the problem. Their tendency

is to congregate and mass in just a few places — along the coastal areas and away from the interior, and in the large urban complexes where the jobs are. In the U.S. alone, more than 80 per cent of the people occupy less than 10 per cent of the total land area. In most countries, the degree of concentration is even higher.

When I was my son's age, the world had only a handful of cities with multi-million populations. As of now, there are already some 70 cities in the world with a population above two million. My own city of Chicago, which then was fourth or fifth in world size, has doubled its area population since I was a lad — but, even so, it has sunk to 14th in world standing.

At the same time that this incredible urban explosion has been taking place, we have been learning that the optimum size of a modern city probably ought to

be no more than a half-million. Beyond that, it becomes nearly ungovernable — not merely in terms of taxes and services, but in terms of traffic and pollution and the measurably degrading quality of life.

Moreover, we have learned that as a city grows in population arithmetically, its services must grow geometrically. If a city goes from a half to one million people, you cannot simply double the police force — you must nearly quadruple it to maintain the same effectiveness. This is equally true of schools, garbage collection, fire protection, energy needs, and other services.

Even a zero-population goal is not enough. We now need to reverse the whole movement of the past century, dispersing populations into manageable units on a human scale. I don't envy the leaders of 2010 A.D.

Stuart Rosenberg

Words are important not only for what they mean but for what they don't mean.

Take the word charity. The dictionary will tell you that charity is synonymous with almsgiving. But when the Hebrew Bible used the word it meant something entirely different.

Charity was first and foremost an attitude towards life, based upon righteousness and justice. What a world of difference between that and the dictionary definition.

If charity is but the offering of alms to the needy, it is an affair of the heart, a sweet sentiment of pity. But only a sentiment.

The fluttering heart may

utter its heavy sighs. And for a fleeting flash we are seized by an overwhelming mood of mercy. So we drop our coins or write our cheques and we are done. We return quickly to our business as usual.

Some of us are overcome by our own mercy. We even talk about our charity, and sometimes seek recognition for it. After all, we learn to tell ourselves, we really didn't have to do it!

But when the Bible speaks of charity, it has something else in mind. Charity isn't optional any more than is justice.

You don't give charity, you live charitably. You're not charitable be-

cause you're a big-hearted fellow who does more than he should. You're charitable only when you do what you know you must do. Charity isn't a gift, it's a deed.

"I was taught," one man complained, "that if I learned to do the right thing, I would gain the secret of happiness and achieve the serenity which goodness brings. I have not found this to be true. I am tired of doing the right things when I don't get rewards I believe I'm entitled to!"

"I see your difficulty," his friend replied. "There is something much deeper that you have not learned. It is not enough to do the right things.

If you seek happiness and personal fulfillment, you must learn to enjoy doing them!"

Here is the real significance of charity: The joyful giver is grateful for not having to receive. He delights in taking tokens of his own blessing and putting out his hand in helpfulness. But even giving, it has been wisely said, is not the real essence of charity: it is the delicacy of our feeling that counts. For the Scripture does not say, "Happy is he who giveth to the poor," but rather, "Happy is he who wisely considereth the poor."

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'Scientific dissident' attacks Sea Search

By STEVE CHAPPLA
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SAN FRANCISCO, Calif. — In 1967 with the war in Vietnam killing more and more Americans and anti-war marches growing ever more strident, the Navy's "man-in-the-sea" experiments off La Jolla, Calif., were a mass-media relief. Scott Carpenter, the famous astronaut turned aquanaut, called the underwater project the "conquest

of inner space," and compared Sealab, the ocean floor laboratory, to an orbiting spaceship.

Most charming, perhaps, were the pictures of Tuffy, a Navy-trained bottlenose dolphin, carrying mail and supplies 200 feet down from the surface in a leather pouch like an aquatic postman. The Navy said Tuffy, always smiling in the strangely human dolphin grin, also learned to use his echo-ranging sonar to

find divers who had strayed too far from the Sealab habitat.

But now Michael Greenwood, the director of Sealab III's ocean floor program, claims the Navy's experiments in "inner space" were a public relations cover for elaborate attempts to recover sunken Russian weaponry. Sealab's real goal, he says, was to develop equipment and procedures which would allow Navy divers to be released from the torpedo tubes of submarines to defuse the self-destruct mechanisms on Soviet missiles lost in the Sea of Japan. Apparently an aircraft carrying them had crashed there. Recently, however, a Navy Department spokesman said that Sealab was "absolutely not a cover" for such salvage operations.

Tuffy the dolphin, Greenwood asserted in secret testimony to the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence Activities, was simply an early recruit to the Pentagon's swimming menagerie. The widely-touted press photographs of Tuffy doing her chores, while mostly accurate, were not shot at Sealab at all but at an inshore "studio" location where the water was clearer.

Later, according to Greenwood, dolphin drafttees were trained to retrieve advanced mines from the mainland Chinese coast, locate a nuclear warhead accidentally dropped from a B-52 off Puerto Rico, and even to kill enemy

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Tuffy

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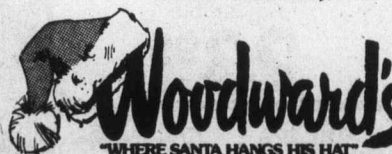
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Dolphin defence team's director speaks out

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frogmen during the Vietnam war.

Housed in a pontoon boat, the dolphins surveyed certain entrances to Cam Ranh Bay with their sonar. When they detected enemy demolition divers, they impaled them on hypodermic needles connected to powerful C92 cartridges like those used in air rifles — exploding the frogmen from within.

Some 60 Vietnamese divers were "nullified," as the Office of Naval Research phrased it, and costly sabotage was drastically reduced. CIA dolphin researcher James Fitzgerald asserts that the dolphins were deployed for 15 months, "and they had no swimmer attacks — no successful attacks." But two American swimmers, one

a merchant seaman who accidentally fell overboard and the other reportedly an experienced underwater demolition diver, were impaled as well.

After the war the dolphin defence team was transferred to the Philippines and plans were made to deploy them at Holy Loch, Scotland, as well. Dolphins are now held in readiness, according to Greenwood, at Key West and Panama City, Fla.; Point Mugu and San Clemente Island, Calif.; and Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii, where much of the Pentagon's training of sea mammals is still carried out.

Greenwood was one scientist at Kaneohe who was not pleased by the Navy's sea mammal plans. He chafed at the goal-oriented research methods imposed on Sea Search, the Navy Dolphin program which he headed.

"According to our sponsors," Greenwood angrily told the Senate intelligence committee, "dolphin training should involve nothing more than putting a whistle around your neck, rowing out into the harbor with a pair of defrosted smelt and Flipper swimming along, and persuading the animal to do his tricks." When an admiral from

Pearl Harbor ordered Greenwood and his Hawaiian researchers to "immediately produce a system capable of delivering dolphins and deep-diving killer whales to open ocean sites inside submarines, surface ships, and airplanes in order to locate and tag Russian submarines," Greenwood acted. He quit, and at the urging of Sen. Quentin N. Burdick (D) of North Dakota, went public.

Calling himself a "scientific dissident" like Andrei Sakharov and Vladimir Bukovsky in the Soviet Union, Greenwood has now petitioned President Carter to end what he believes is the military abuse of sea mammals. "The issue," he insists, is that "our national scientific focus is almost exclusively controlled by the Department of Defence and the intelligence community."

He says "the extraordinary data" compiled by open-ocean research with dolphins and whales "would tend to revolutionize much current thinking in learning and behavioral theory," if not cloistered in secret CIA and Navy research institutes.

Harris Stone, director of the Navy's research and development plans division, says that "research on dolphin physiology and biology, and on certain aspects of search and retrieval, has been published, but other operational applica-

tions are classified. We do not want to telegraph our dolphin capabilities to potential adversaries."

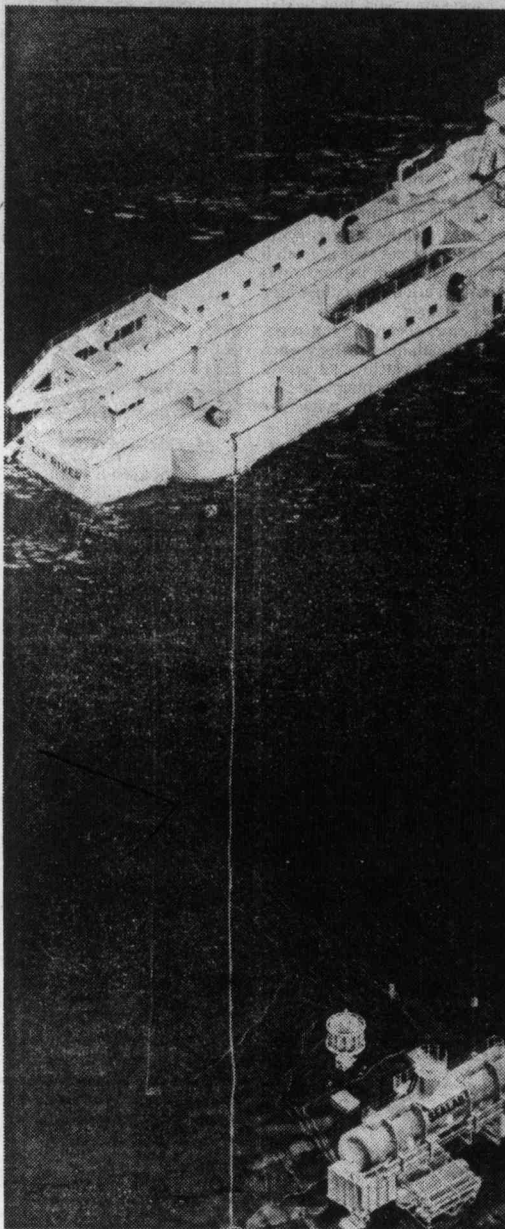
As one remedy, Greenwood calls for a "scientific ombudsman committee" which would allow scientists working on classified research to protest abuses directly to the president.

Why are dolphins so willing to kill on command? Ironically, the dolphin has had a deserved reputation since before Pliny and Aristotle for guiding lost sailors to safe harbor and saving tired swimmers from sharks.

Some of the larger dolphin species like killer whales possess an intelligence clearly different but possibly rivaling our own and have developed, according to Dr. John C. Lilly, author of *The Mind of the Dolphin*, a code of ethics toward themselves and man loosely based on the Golden Rule.

The fatal weakness of the dolphin may be its very love for humans. "They acquire the aggressiveness of their handlers," explains James Mullen, trainer at San Francisco's widely-visited Marine World. "They absorb the bitterness of the crowds. When they kill, they are killing for those they have learned to love."

For better or worse, it seems dolphins are as loyal as the soldiers they serve.



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LOS ANGELES (AP) — The Hillside Strangler apparently claimed his 11th victim Wednesday — a 17-year-old prostitute who disappeared after making an appointment with a man who asked for a "good-looking blonde," police said.

The auburn-haired girl, whose nude body was found on a residential hillside early Wednesday, was identified by police spokesman Warren

Love as Kimberly Diane Martin.

Police confirmed that the woman had been strangled and sexually molested.

Most of the previous 10 strangler victims were sexually molested, and most — but not all — were dumped nude. Like Wednesday's victim, several had prostitution backgrounds, and every one had been strangled.

Police said they believed one man was responsible.

Saanich bus link may go new route

A proposed extension of the Mount Tolmie bus route along Shelbourne, Midgard and Gordon Head Road will be considered by Saanich council's newly-created transportation committee at its first meeting next month.

The proposed route is an alternative to a Palo Alto Avenue, Mortimer Street and Ansell Road route.

Council voted against supporting the proposed extension in August after receiving a petition from area resi-

dents and hearing from the engineering department that roads on the proposed route could not accommodate bus traffic.

Municipal engineer Clifford Warren said Palo Alto, Mortimer and Ansell were residential streets and could not be recommended for bus traffic.

Meanwhile, a section of Midgard from Kremlin to Gordon Head has been widened and reconstructed, permitting its use as a bus route.

Symbionese Liberation Army member Emily Harris is in critical condition despite her decision to end a self-imposed hunger strike a week ago, her doctor said in Los Angeles Wednesday. Dr. Elsie Giorgi said Mrs. Harris "looks like she came out of Buchenwald." She is down to 80 pounds from her normal weight of 105 pounds. Mrs. Harris, 31, and her husband William are serving from 11 years to life imprisonment for a series of offences arising from a 1974 shootout at a Los Angeles sporting goods store in which newspaper heiress Patty Hearst also took part. Mrs. Harris began the fast in response to what she called "the isolation and increasingly oppressive conditions of my incarceration."

The British Broadcasting Corp. has cast Chancellor of

the Exchequer Denis Healey in a new role — The Wizard of Oz in a TV program. Said a BBC spokesman: "It's just a bit of Christmas fun."

Port Coquitlam Mayor Jack Campbell was unopposed when he was re-elected chairman of the Greater Vancouver Regional District for the second consecutive year.

Quebec Premier Rene Levesque says he will donate personal gifts he received during his official visit to France last month to the Quebec Museum.

Egyptian President Anwar

Sadat's granddaughter Jehan, born during his historic peace mission to Jerusalem last month, has been nicknamed Daughter of Peace.

Movie star and former stunt man Burt Lancaster is offering a \$1,800 prize for the trapeze artist who performs a quadruple somersault in the circus world championships which are being held in London.

A Chinese electrical worker from Canton has applied through the U.S. consulate in Hong Kong for a visa to the United States so that he can donate one of his kidneys to an ailing younger brother whom he last saw 15 years

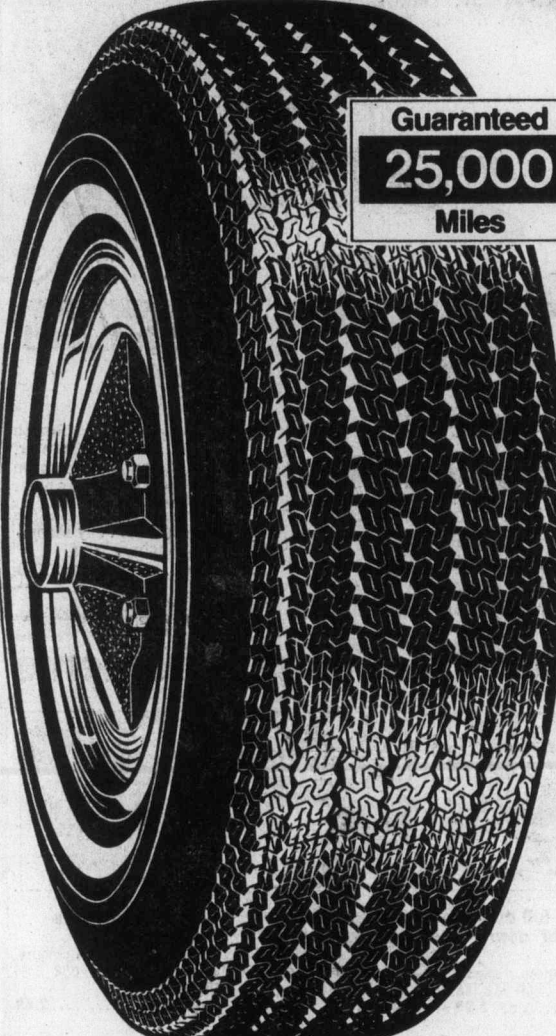
ago. Chinese authorities issued Liu Yeung-wai with an exit visa and he travelled to Hong Kong for the reunion with his sick brother Liu Yuet-man, who left China in 1962.

"I'm going to make them put up or shut up," says Judge Charles Galbreath of an attempt by the Tennessee Judicial Standards Commission to force him from office. Galbreath is the judge who wrote on court stationery last year to Larry Flynt, Hustler magazine's editor, to say that he was a regular Hustler reader. The letter was later printed in the sex magazine.



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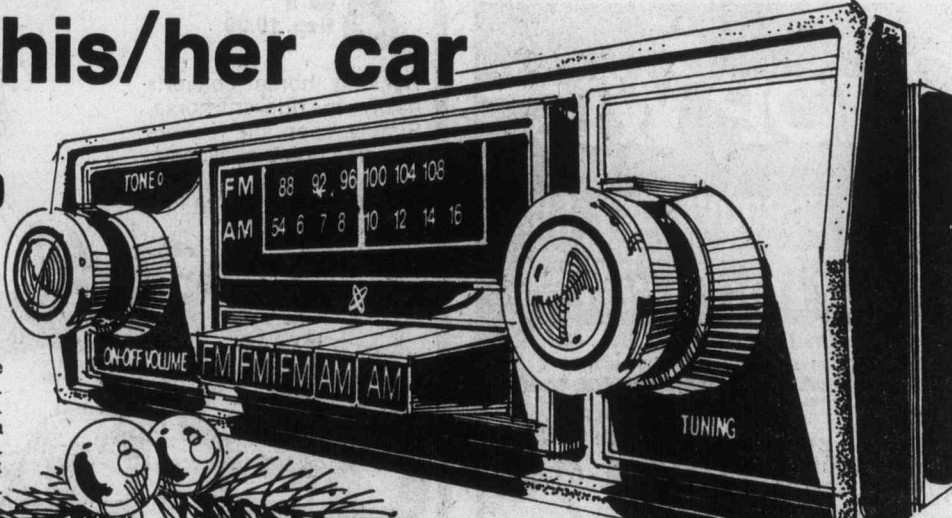
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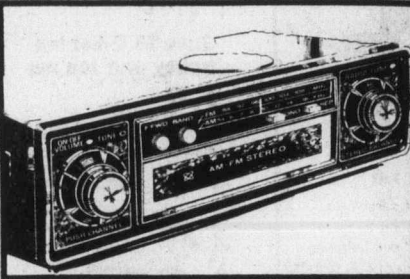
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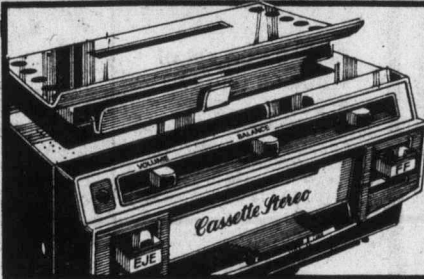


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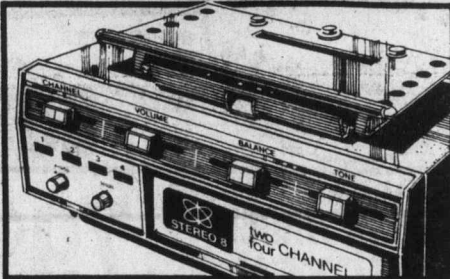
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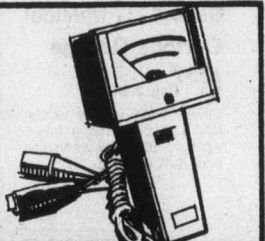


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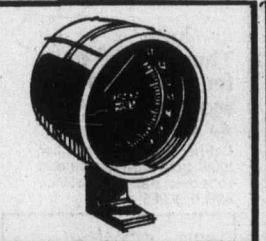


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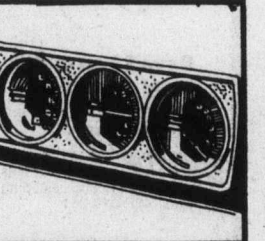


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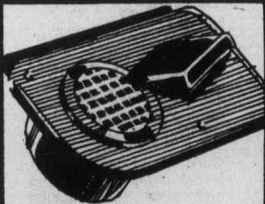


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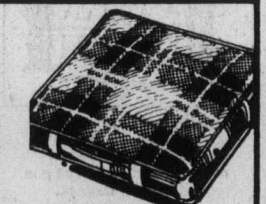


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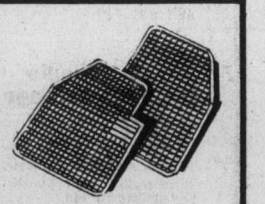


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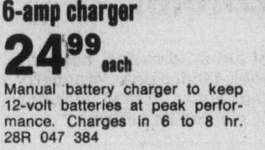


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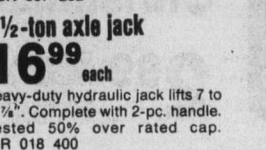


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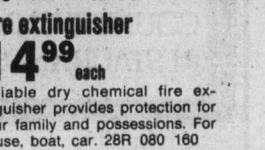


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Christmas Eve tragedy solved —one year later

EAST HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — The girl died last Christmas Eve when she was hit by a car while hitchhiking. She was buried six months later by strangers who knew her only as Norma, the name on her belt.

This week the puzzle was solved when it was confirmed the girl was 17-year-old Angela Carol Patterson. She was apparently trying to get a ride back to her parents' Prattville, Ala., home when she died.

A touching plea from the girl's mother, and police officers who refused to let the case die, led to the identification.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Patterson last heard from Angela when she telephoned them from Brighton, Mass., to say she was on her way home for Christmas.

Mrs. Patterson wrote her appeal in September. The pamphlet — which was distributed to police departments around the United States — said:

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1976. We think she might be in prison, a mental or drug institution, an unwed mother's home, travelling with a small-town carnival, or maybe she's dead . . .

"If she is alive, we want to help her if we can, and if she is dead, we want to find her and bring her home for burial."

Now, almost a year after her death, the body of Angela Patterson will be returned to her family.

Christian said it was not the first time she had left home. While hitchhiking along Route 15, she was hit by a car.

Officials in East Hartford were unable to find out who the girl was, and she was buried six months after the accident. Local officials collected the \$65 for the young hitchhiker's funeral, attended by local residents.

The girl was finally identified when East Hartford policeman Alex Grimshaw spotted the pamphlet written by Mrs. Patterson. The information corresponded to what was known about Norma.

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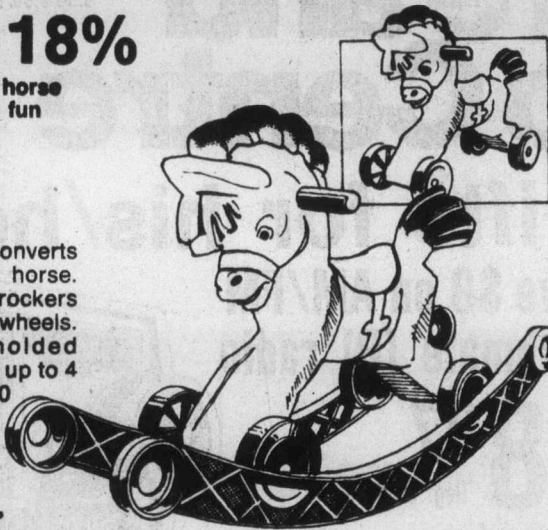
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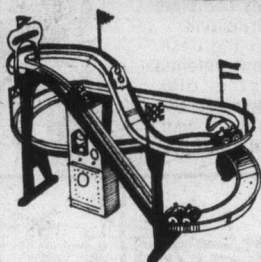
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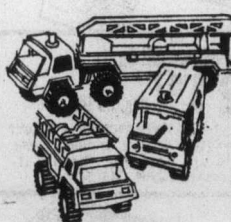
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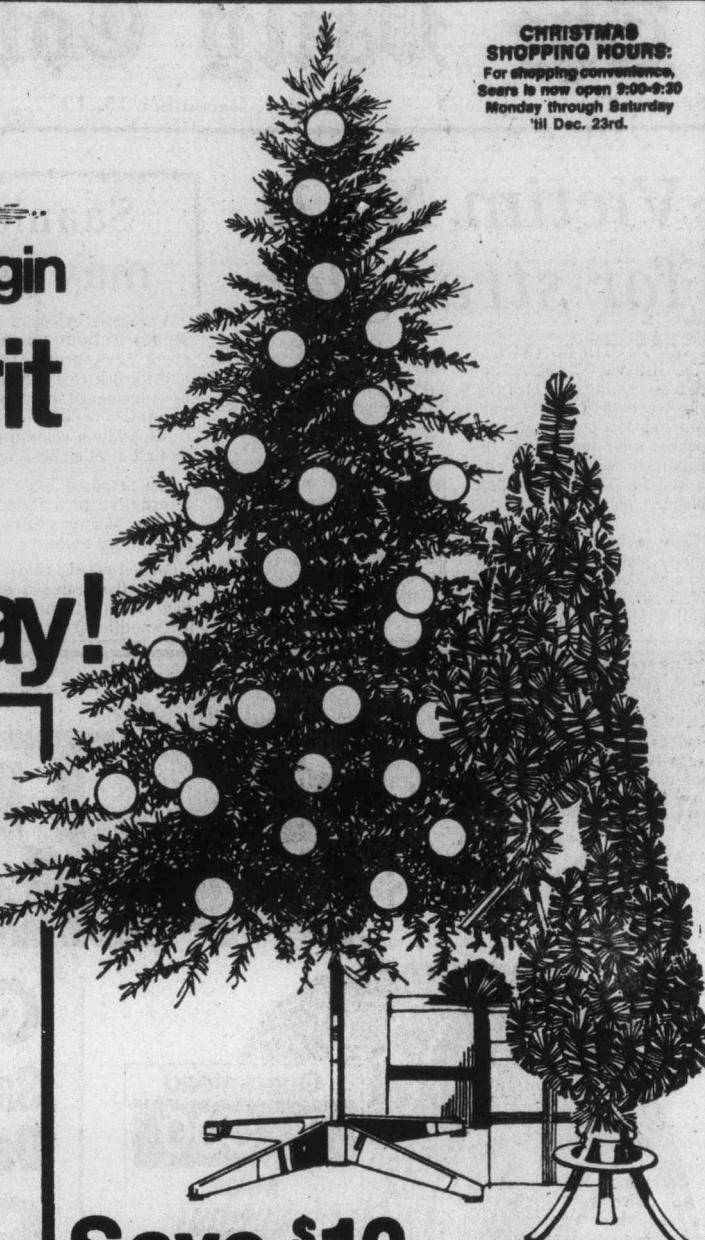
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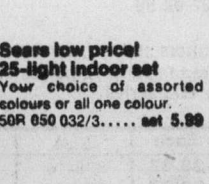
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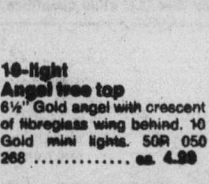
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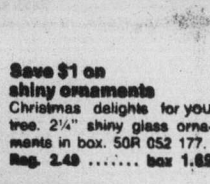
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Too much stress at Christmas, says psychiatrist

Materialism shoplifting root

WINNIPEG (CP) — A psychiatrist says too much stress on materialism is partly responsible for a higher rate of shoplifting by adolescents during the Christmas season.

Dr. Eric Ellis of Winnipeg said the holiday-season emphasis on material goods put a big strain on youths from deprived social-economic backgrounds.

Ellis, a youth psychiatrist said many young people — particularly those from broken homes — regarded shoplifting as a way of striking back at society.

The anger and frustration they experienced was "justified but misplaced. They develop an attitude that they never got enough — and they didn't," he said.

"To a certain extent, stores set it up themselves. They say, 'Look how nice it would be if you had these things.' A great deal of importance is placed on having those goods. They promote materialistic values," he said.

Ellis said some adolescents went in for shoplifting for complex reasons. For some troubled youngsters, trying to separate psychologically from their parents and to establish their own identities, shoplifting could be a means of asserting their independence.

"Some people do it because it's thrilling. Some people shoplift because they think the store is a big impersonal place and it won't suffer. Some do it because they want help, and others want to get back at their parents — to embarrass them."

Ellis said society did not seem to be looking hard for a solution to shoplifting and to the broader problems with which such theft was associated.

"Failing to deal with the problem is a sign that society has certain values, that some

people don't deserve access to certain goals. But as long as you have materialism in

society, you will have shoplifting," Robert Neal of Winnipeg,

manager of management services for Eaton's department stores in Western Cana-

da, said shoplifting increased sharply during the Christmas season.



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PROVINCIAL COURT

One of four men charged Monday with two drug-related offences was dropped from the joint charges and another man was added Wednesday in Victoria provincial court.

Originally charged with conspiracy to traffic in cocaine and trafficking in cocaine were 22-year-old Darrell Edward Nolan, 1574 Bay in Victoria; 23-year-old Murray Steven Whyte, 926 Urquhart in Courtenay; 23-year-old Clifford Robert Barker, 791 Braidwood in Courtenay; and 26-year-old Kenneth Montgomery Gibson, 2157 Harbour View in Sooke.

When they appeared Wednesday before Judge William Ostler, Gibson was dropped from the charge and 23-year-old Jeffrey George Martin, 2648 Graham in Victoria, was added.

Barker was charged separately Monday with possession of marijuana. Gibson with possession of cocaine, and Whyte with possession of marijuana, hashish and cocaine.

Following a bail hearing, all five were released and a preliminary hearing on the two trafficking charges was set for April 3 to 5, inclusive.

Nolan, Whyte and Barker were all released on \$5,000 surety bail. Martin on \$2,500

bail and Gibson on his own undertaking.

Barker, Gibson and Whyte all pleaded not guilty to the possession charges and a trial date of March 1 was set for Gibson. The other two were both remanded to April 3 to fix a trial date.

A 24-year-old man was given a four-month jail term for a break-in July 18 at a Colwood home.

Oswald Keith Underwood, who was serving a 30-day sentence at Wilkinson Road jail for an attempted break-in, was given the additional term for breaking into an apartment at 616 Goldstream and taking a substantial quantity of electronic goods including two television sets, a tape recorder and a speaker.

In addition, Ostler imposed a 30-day, concurrent term on a charge of theft under \$200. Crown counsel Robert Mulligan told the court the theft involved \$40 cash from a young woman at 293 Atkins, where Underwood was described as a part-time boarder in the past.

A 22-year-old man was ordered to do 75 hours of community service work and prohibited from entering licensed premises for four

months after his conviction on a charge of possession of a dangerous weapon.

Leo Eugene Overby, 45, Boyd, pleaded guilty Nov. 25.

Mulligan reminded the court that Overby was in the King John Inn in Colwood on Nov. 23 and was asked by the owner to calm down. Overby then pulled a knife and held it about 18 inches from the owner's face and said, "Come ahead and get a piece of it (knife)." He was found a short time later by RCMP, hiding under a trailer, Mulligan said.

A 27-year-old man whose lawyer said he had "turned the corner" was given a break, fined \$500 and ordered to perform 150 hours of community service work for his third conviction for driving while suspended.

Roland Albert Laberge, 843 Craigflower, appeared before Ostler on the May 2 charge and defence lawyer Peter Freeman acknowledged that his client had a grave and lamentable criminal record and a serious driving record. But Freeman said Laberge felt he had turned the corner and now had better stability and a new identity and purpose in his life.

Ostler complimented Freeman for his persuasive presentation and said the probation officer, in the pre-sentence report, noted a very real change in Laberge. The judge said a jail term was indicated but questioned whether public interest wouldn't be better served by keeping Laberge usefully employed.

Laberge was also placed on six months' probation and ordered not to drive during that period.

Fined for drinking-driving offences were: Kenneth Clarence Cucksey, 43, of 471 Boleskine, \$1,000; Gordon Michael Swan, 27, of 1959 Kaitasin, \$600; Charles Gordon Watt, 24, of 2 Rocky Point, \$450; Robert Glynn Waters, 54, of 2067 Church, \$400; Thomas Keenan Best, 68, of Malahat Post Office, \$300; and Josef Fink, 39, of 662 Kelly, \$250.

In addition, Cucksey was ordered to perform 50 hours of community service work and Best was fined an additional \$25 for driving without a valid driver's licence.

Banks face picketing as Tel lockout drags

As the B.C. Telephone Co. strike-lockout ended its third week Wednesday with a one-day recess in mediation talks, the Telecommunications Workers Union was busy preparing to roll with one financial punch and deliver another.

Victoria members are due to get their first \$35 weekly lockout cheques Friday, and plans are being made to help hardship cases.

The union is also considering picketing Victoria banks in an attempt to tighten the financial screws on the company.

The objective is to have the banks follow major department stores in not accepting payment of telephone bills.

On Tuesday, TWU members in Nanaimo picketed every bank branch for two hours.

Union officials in Victoria said they met the management of one bank branch Wednesday and were told the bank "didn't want to get involved."

"We pointed out that we didn't want them to get involved either, that we just wanted them to remain neutral," said TWU spokesman Richard Belfit.

Lockout pay isn't issued by the union until members have been off the job four weeks. Members in some areas were locked out before the province-wide action three weeks ago, and are being

paid ahead of the others. A union official in Victoria said a welfare committee had been set up to look after those facing particularly heavy financial loads.

In Nanaimo, pickets were posted outside the Highlander Motor Inn for two hours, protesting the motel's "putting up about 28 non-union workers who have been brought in from outside."

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Declarer fidgeted for a while and played some clubs but eventually he got around to playing diamonds. A diamond to dummy's king and a diamond back ended his chances and the vulnerable game went out the window.

How should declarer have played the diamonds? Before answering that question, a more important truth must be uncovered. Which defender has the queen of diamonds?

Let's review the facts. West opened the bidding and has shown up with only a five-card suit. East passed to the opening bid and has played the ace of hearts. Who's got the queen of diamonds? Obviously West must have that card as part of the opening bid. Further if East had held it, he would have undoubtedly responded to the one-spade opening.

With the detective work finished, declarer is now ready for an unusual play, the backward finesse.

Since he knows a routine finesse must lose, he has one other hope - East

might have the diamond 10.

The diamond jack is led through West and West wins the king. A diamond from dummy allows a winning finesse with declarer's nine and backward finesse succeeds.

Bid with Corn
South holds

North South
11 12-16
10 9-11
K 5-7
A 4-7

Answer: Two clubs. A temporizing bid. The hand is too strong for a single raise, too weak for a jump to two of trumps and it's better not to bid a weak four-card heart suit in response to an opening of one spade.

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SUN CITY, Ariz. — Success breeds success. And what success has bred in Sun City, one of the country's pioneer planned retirement communities, is the "sold out" sign. And the promise of a whole new town — Sun City West — to be built over the next 10 years on 12,700 nearby acres, with another 30,000 to 35,000 dwelling units to make room for an additional population of 65,000 "mature adults." Sun City West will, it is planned, open Jan. 1, 1979.

But today, just 17 years after its first modest units were shown in 1960, the original Sun City is nearing completion, with 25,716 housing units, seven recreational-cultural centres, and five shopping centres. The population eventually will nudge 49,000.

As for sales, there have been good years and slack ones, but 1977 is proving the best year of all. From Jan. 1 to Oct. 30, 3,485 new units were sold.

Sun City was the dream child of the late Del E. Webb, Arizona builder and developer, who decided in the late 1950s that he wanted to create in the Phoenix area a quality living environment, especially planned for people 50 years of age or older. He termed the new life-style concept "resort-retirement living," but he desired to serve a cross section of Americans with housing and recreational amenities at reasonable prices.

He did not want to provide a country-club setting only for the affluent elderly. He built

an organization of architectural, building, and interior design experts to help him carry forward his idea of community development.

By the time Webb passed on in 1974 he was well aware that his new city had become a commercial, aesthetic, and sociological success and had found a unique place for itself under the sun, where people come together, in one community, with the time to play, pray, learn, help each other, and grow together.

John W. Meeker, now the president of the Del E. Webb Development Company, puts it this way: "Sun City has helped make retirement respectable. It has become a period that people can look forward to with anticipation — a time of beginning again, not a time that is the beginning of the end. And Sun City has been a grand catalyst. We have put it all together — the housing, the facilities — but it is the people themselves who have made it happen, have made us a force for life and productive living."

Sun City, explains Meeker, is a product of private enterprise, developed almost entirely without federal or other public involvement. And Sun City West will follow in the same manner. Units there will be sold from existing models, which now range in price from \$36,990 for a two-bedroom, one-bath house, to \$70,490 for houses with two baths, and two or three bedrooms.

The average sale price in Sun City this year is \$47,650, and the average resale price (for residents selling their own homes) is today \$51,000. I saw here 21 different single-level floor plans, including single-family homes, duplexes, garden apartments, and four-somes, all with no steps or stairs.

Intense summer heat is probably the single greatest drawback and problem at Sun City. All structures are air-conditioned, but residents find the very hot months of July, August and September oppressive and many seek refuge then in cooler climates or do their travelling during these summer months.

Some also find that a specific mental adjustment is called for to mingle chiefly with other "mature adults." And as the city grows, some are now grumbling about increased traffic on the quiet, well-kept streets.

Sun Cityans usually choose sunny colors, such as bright light greens, yellows and whites when they decorate, or redecorate their housing units here. "We still like the bright, airy Palm Springs look in decorating," says local interior designer Mary Jane Hawkins.

"and not the duller neutrals and naturals of the back-to-nature look." Mrs. Hawkins had decorated almost all the Sun City model houses and now serves newcomers and old-timers alike in her association with Alven's Interiors, Inc., here.

"People coming to Sun City from all over the country are making a big change in their lives, and they often want to see an adventurous new look expressed in their new homes, too. We strongly recommend as much change as they can feel comfortable with, al-

though sometimes it is nothing more than a brand new color scheme, carried out in background paint, wallpaper, carpet and draperies."

When incoming residents ask Mrs. Hawkins what they should bring with them from their old homes, she usually

replies, "Bring those treasured items that will help you feel at home — favorite paintings, craft objects, family heirlooms, choice accessories, and special lamps. As to furniture, bring your bedroom suite, if you like it a lot, Centres—Page 52

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The device is used externally and temporarily. It is connected by tubes to the natural heart and acts as a blood pump until the functioning of the natural heart returns to normal.

The Zurich University surgical team said use of the device on a woman patient for two days last month enabled her to survive a severe heart failure after cardiac surgery.

Prof. Marco Turina of Yugoslavia, who performed the surgery, said: "This was the first time that a total artificial heart successfully supplied both ventricles."

He said previous so-called heart-lung machines had a crucial shortcoming: they could not be used over extended periods because they destroyed blood vessels.

The new device is equipped with electronic sensors that adjust the pumping pressure to changing resistance in the blood vessels in order to avoid damage.

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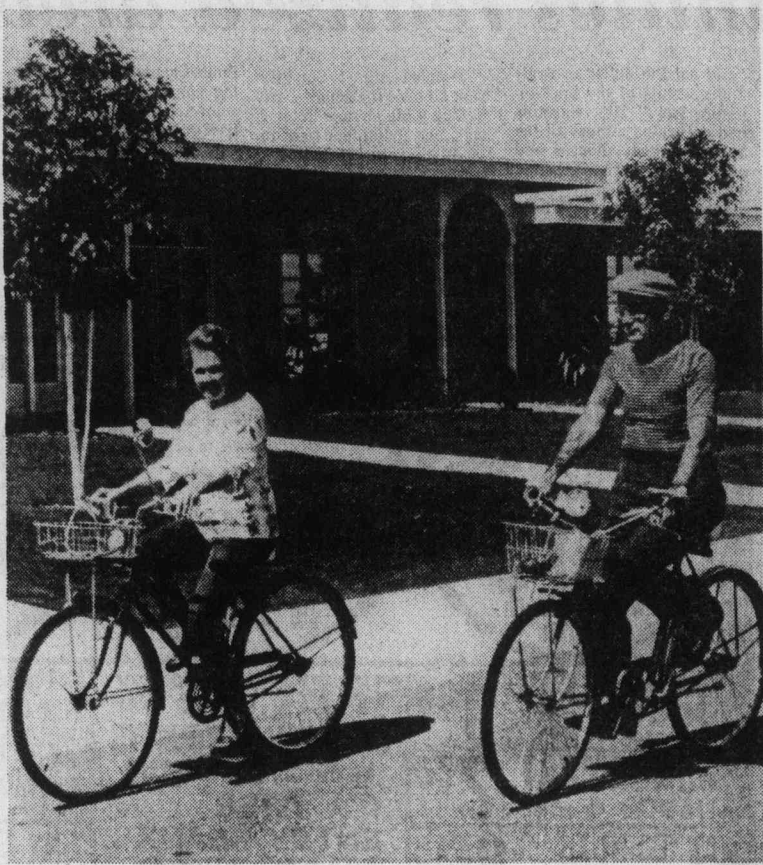
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and at least one much-loved chair. Some people bring an antique rocker that has been handed down in the family, or a well-proven lounge chair. If you have a really good sofa, with good lines, bring that, too, and have it reupholstered or slipcovered after you arrive."

With such a nucleus, new residents can then buy a new chair or so, a snappy glass and brass table or two, and some wicker or bamboo occasional pieces. Most new residents also "fill out" furnishings with cherry and mahogany occasional tables, small desks, and chests.

For couples buying all new furniture for retirement homes, the No. 1 choice is French Provincial, in an antique white painted finish. Most people, however, settle for a kind of transitional-contemporary, which is warm and informal and often a mix of several periods. Mrs. Hawkins does see a small new trend developing for pure modern furnishings, and a secondary trend toward the use of more Oriental accessories.

Purchase price includes the house, lot, draperies and carpet. It does not include interior or exterior maintenance. A resident, or his heirs, may sell the unit at any time, through any broker, at his



Residents cycle past typical home

shops and restaurants. It has also provided a community hospital. A second Beverly Corporation nursing home will be built here in 1978; a Webb Corporation "catered living" high-rise condominium is expected to go up in the near future.

Selling prices at Sun City have doubled and tripled since 1960 when you could buy a house for \$10,000.

As for Sun City West, Mecher says, "We are trying to stem the rising cost situation with new building technology, by using prefabricat-

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A survey last year showed that Sun Cityans had a combined income in excess of \$336 million, much of which they spend in the area for goods, services, travel, etc. They provide many jobs, but they do not require jobs; so Sun City is really like a local industry. More than 250,000 visitors from all states come through the sales office each year and tourists drop in to see how the older half lives in the heartland of the Sunbelt.

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The proposed designation of about 30 commercial buildings in Old Town as heritage structures was tabled at a special meeting Tuesday of Victoria city council because of possible financial ramifications.

The tabling followed a disclosure by Ald. Robert Wright that the city may be sued by the owners of the buildings if designation occurred now.

The aldermen were concerned over possible law suits although only two owners registered opposition to the designation of their buildings as heritage structures.

Wright told council the city of Vancouver had withdrawn a heritage designation recently because it feared legal consequences.

When Ald. Murray Glazier moved that council go into camera to hear the advice from city solicitor Jakob de Villiers, the aldermen voted him down.

De Villiers, on the other hand, said he didn't want to advise council publicly. He said he'd prefer to submit a written report on the matter.

Heritage legality is hitch

One of the objections was filed by the Bank of Montreal which owns the building at 50-56 Bastion Square, slated for heritage designation.

Edwin Popham, a Victoria lawyer, told council on behalf of the bank that the building in question had no heritage value within the meaning of the provincial Heritage Protection Act.

He also said designation would substantially reduce the value of the property.

Popham stressed, however, that the bank wouldn't build anything in replacement that wasn't in keeping with the architecture of Bastion Square.

Another objection came from E.J. Butler who has

an option on most of the block bounded by Belleville and Quebec, Pendray and Oswego.

Butler told council he intended to build a six-storey, 150 room motor hotel in that block, incorporating the Captain's Palace restaurant which is also among the batch of properties to be designated.

But Butler added that he objected to the inclusion of a vacant lot adjacent to the restaurant, in the heritage designation.

He said he needed that lot for his motel, but was willing to stay 35 feet away from the Captain's Palace.

The designation bylaws were tabled to give council an opportunity to hear advice from the city solicitor.

Stabbing nets term in jail

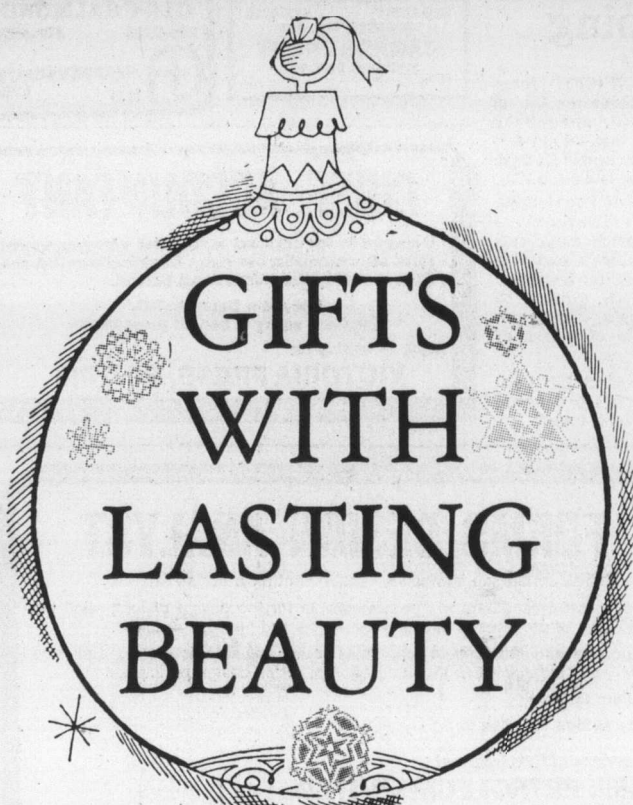
VANCOUVER (CP) — Gordon John Smith, 25, was sentenced to an 18-month jail term after admitting in court that he stabbed Verna Milne, 36, in a domestic quarrel. Smith was originally charged with attempted murder.

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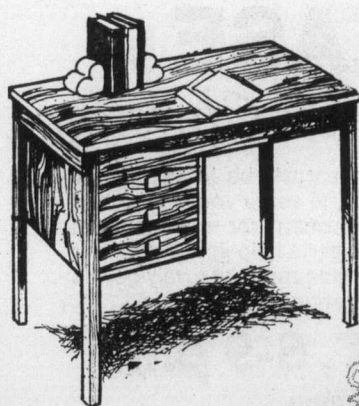
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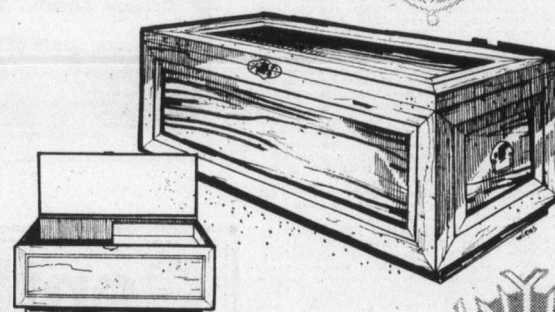
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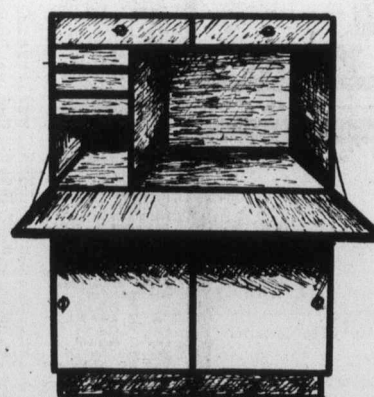
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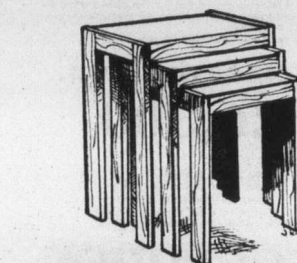
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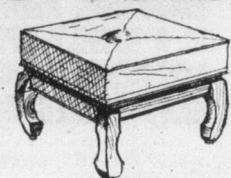
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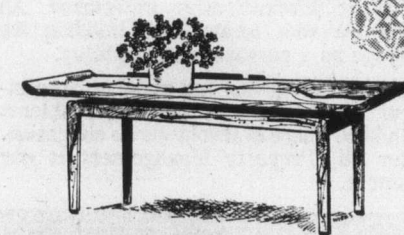


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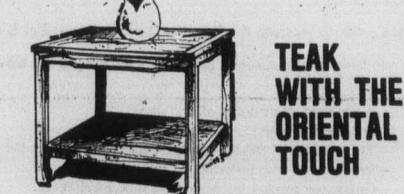
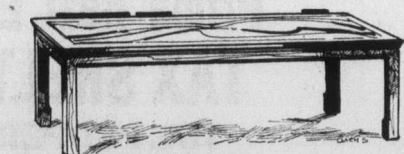
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TERMINAL APPROACH

Bus terminal now located on Marathon property in Nanaimo doesn't give any indication of great things to come, but recent comprehensive report on whole Marathon parcel envisages some great developments for what is tabbed as Cameron Island section. Multi-million-dollar undertaking

would require thorough planning and full co-operation of all levels of government, it was disclosed during a recent conference in Nanaimo, with Colonist's Donna Reimer snapping shot on her way to news conference.

Theft, vandalism skyrocket

Car lot adds guard, dog

COURTENAY — Continued theft of cars, damage to vehicles on the lot and resultant higher insurance costs have led Comox Valley Ford to hire a night watchman and guard dog.

Rick Cochrane said this week the theft of three company vehicles on the weekend prompted the action. In addition the new and used car sales lot will have better lighting.

At the weekend, a 1975 Pinto was stolen and is considered a writeoff. It was discovered at the end of Cessford Road where Cochrane said it had apparently had the accelerator jammed down and run off a 40-foot embankment.

A 1975 Ford pickup truck was found near Cumberland Road and Willemer and it had between \$400 and \$500 damage to the front end.

The third car, a 1976 Ford Elite, was recovered in Lewis Park, undamaged.

Cochrane estimated a dozen cars have been stolen from his lot so far this year. He said most have been damaged and earlier this year one was a writeoff.

While the company carries insurance, "the more thefts, the higher the insurance."

Several charges have been laid in connection with past thefts, he said, but he had never been notified of the results of any of the charges.

Cochrane was critical of community work service where the complainant is asked to take the offender to work around his home or business premises.

In response to a question he said if anyone is charged and convicted of car theft, he would not go along with community work service around the sales lot.

"They would just learn more about the operation," Cochrane said. He also criticized the "slap on the wrist" type of punishment.

Hood ornaments are stolen, batteries taken and cables cut, spare tires and gas caps taken and aerials broken, Cochrane said, adding that even a drive shaft was taken from a truck.

Recently, he said, someone had run along the hoods of cars in the front row of the sales lot.

He said a lockbox in which car keys are kept is smashed to enable thieves to get the keys.

Cochrane expressed dismay that what he called the "honest Joe Blow citizen" might be deterred from wan-

dering about the sales lot by the addition of a guard and dog. However, he said such a person would not be likely to

look at cars in the small hours of the night or early morning. It is the actions of the irre-

sponsible which make it necessary to hire a watchman and guard dog, Cochrane said.

CHRISTMAS FIT FOR A PRINCESS

VANCOUVER — CP Rails' Vancouver-Nanaimo ferry service will operate until the evening of Dec. 24, returning to service Dec. 26.

The last pre-holiday Christmas departure of the Princess of Vancouver will be from Nanaimo at 4 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 24, arriving in Vancouver at 6:30 p.m. Operations

will resume at noon from Vancouver Dec. 26.

Over New Year's the ferry will operate up to and including the 4 p.m. departure from Nanaimo Dec. 31, berthing in Vancouver at 6:30 p.m. The ship will return to service with the noon departure from Vancouver Jan. 2, 1978.

Happiness branches out

PORT ALBERNI — For the person on your Christmas list who has everything, how about allowing him or her to adopt a living tree for a year?

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Persons adopting the tree get to look after it for the whole year, and have a plaque put on it that they were the proud parents. If it's a fruit tree, the fruit crop is theirs.

It's all part of a fund-raising scheme thought up by the executive of the Port Alberni Community Arts Council to raise money for completion of the new Rollin Art Centre.

The grounds around the new centre, formerly an old private residence willed to the city, were planted with trees by the former owner.

There are some 66 trees on the property still in good condition, and the council is planning to make the grounds a "community garden."

It is asking from \$50 to \$250 for the one-year adoption, depending on the rarity of the species.

The project got off to a successful start this week when the Arts Council president appeared before city council to announce the plan and to ask the city's participation.

Mrs. Jan Peterson suggested the city adopt the most unusual tree in the collection, an Aurau-

garia or Monkey Puzzle Tree which, "to the best of our knowledge, is one of the largest trees of its kind on Vancouver Island."

Since it was one of the rarer species on the property, she said, it would of course go for the top price of \$250.

One of the aldermen promptly moved that the sum be considered for inclusion in the 1978 budget, and there was unanimous consent.

After the meeting, Mrs. Peterson confirmed that this was just the opening salvo in a campaign to get businesses, organizations, service clubs and individuals to adopt a tree for 1978.

She had gotten the idea from a government publication on wildlife, which contained an article suggesting that students "adopt" a tree for a year to study both the tree and the bird life it attracted.

"We knew we had a very unusual variety of trees planted by Mr. Rollin over his lifetime on our grounds, and we are looking for anything that would get some community involvement in assisting to finish the renovation of the building. The idea just grew from there," she said.

With the help of the parks and recreation department, the council had all the trees in the grounds studied for type and condition.

Anyone want a Golden Kind False Cypress to call their very own?

Desperate man asks

'What does it take to get WCB action?'

DUNCAN — "What does it take to get some action out of the Workmen's Compensation Board and how can the average working man maintain his lifestyle, when it takes about seven months to process a claim?"

Those are questions that Duncan resident Cyril Chipperfield wants Labor Minister Alan Williams to answer.

Chipperfield's letter to the minister is the last act in a series of communications between himself and the WCB in an attempt to get his claim for compensation recognized and dealt with, without any further delay.

It has already taken four months since Chipperfield suffered an injury to his groin, which was sufficient to keep him from his regular employment.

He first applied to the WCB for compensation Aug. 23, claim No. VC 77107210.

He did not receive any reply until Sept. 23, informing him that he was not eligible, or in WCB words "not compensable" as there was no "causative significance in producing injury."

The injury Chipperfield complained of was caused by lifting a wall weighing about 80 pounds above his head, during the course of his employment.

On Oct. 7, Chipperfield mailed in his appeal, but heard nothing further, and on Nov. 25 he again wrote complaining that he had heard nothing from the WCB for six weeks. In this letter he en-

closed copies of reports from local doctors, D. E. Fritz and A. F. Hocker, both substantiating his claim that his injury was work-oriented.

He received a reply from the WCB on Nov. 28, apologizing for the "lengthy delay" and that the extremely heavy workload and shortage of staff "has slowed us down considerably," and that his file now was under review.

Chipperfield, by now angry and frustrated at the delay, again contacted the WCB, asking what date the claim would be reviewed and who was responsible for the delay.

Not having received any reply by last Friday, he phoned the WCB's board of review and spoke to Deborah Jervis, a secretary. She informed him that D. C. Fraser

and T. S. Dow, board members, would be reviewing his case and that a "Mr. Divine" would be the case chairman.

She also informed him that "because of the heavy workload," she did not feel that the case would come up for another three months, until sometime in February or March of 1978.

Chipperfield said his MLA Barbara Wallace contacted the head of WCB in Victoria, but was informed that his hands were tied because the claim had passed to the board of review.

Chipperfield charged that if the delays were caused by shortage of staff as claimed, then in these days of high unemployment WCB should be setting an example and hire more staff.

Price is right for holiday festival of fun

NANAIMO — The price will be right at Nanaimo recreation facilities next Thursday, Dec. 22.

A Christmas present to the public from the city and regional recreation people will be free admission to facilities and activities on the Thursday before Christmas.

The recreation staff is calling the special day Appreciation Day, to say thank you to the public for using and supporting the area's recreation facilities.

Free activities will be held at the Civic Arena, Beban Park and Bowen Park.

There will be ice skating at the Civic Arena, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 3 p.m. for the general public.

Family skating is scheduled at the Beban Arena from 7:30 to 9 p.m. and for adults only from 9:15 to 10:15 p.m.

Swimming, at Beban Pool, will be for various groups during the day, from 6:30 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Social activities include the showing of the film, Jack and the Beanstalk at three places around the city, and teen activities and a teen sock hop.

Table tennis and arts and crafts at spots around the city complete the list of social activities.

There will also be a sports drop-in at six area schools.

Alderman surprises

NANAIMO — There was little opposition at a public hearing held here this week to discuss the proposed Woodgrove regional shopping centre, but the opposition to the centre came from an unusual source — one of the city's own aldermen.

The city-sponsored public hearing was held to allow public comments on the proposed land-use contract for the Woodgrove centre, which would be located at Aulds

Road and the Island Highway on the city's northern limits.

Two private citizens spoke in favor of the proposed development, and Ald. Nelson Allen spoke in opposition to the land-use contract, which he labelled "vague."

There were a few raised eyebrows and surprised faces when Allen rose to make his statements. Mayor Frank Ney asked if Allen wasn't attempting to be both the judge and the jury in the case, since council would later have its own chance to debate the land-use contract.

But city solicitor Doug Greer confirmed that Allen could make his representation as a private citizen.

Allen said that as a private citizen he had asked a lawyer to comment on the land-use contract. He used the lawyer's comments as the basis for his own objections that the contract was vague and left questions about starting and completion dates and servicing.

He said he supported the idea of a regional shopping centre but did not like the Woodgrove land-use contract.

Speaking in favor of the shopping centre was Alf Flett of Dover Road. He said he had heard absolutely no opposition to the proposed centre.

Hilda Brown of Lantzville said that the centre would undoubtedly put pressure on Lantzville, but that to oppose the project would be "biased, selfish and unfair."

Nanaimo region gets bad news

NANAIMO — The effect on the mill rate of Nanaimo Regional District's \$1.5 million increase in its 1978 provisional budget over 1977's actual expenses is still not known, but news from the provincial government has guaranteed at least a one-mill rate increase.

The \$7.3 million budget was based on last year's assessment, administrator W. D. Hott told the regional board Tuesday night, and, on that basis, there would be little or no mill-rate increase.

But, he said the effect of the new assessment rolls is still not known.

The provincial government's decision to fund only 50 per cent of transit deficits, however, will mean a mill-rate increase from about two to 3.6 mills for the Nanaimo regional transit benefiting area.

The region's 1978 provisional budget was presented to the board Tuesday night and is expected to be adopted next week.

A regional district budget differs from municipal and school budgets, in that each function must pay its own way, and mill rates are different parts of the region, depending on the functions that area participates in.

Largest increases in expenditure took place in the fiscal services, wastewater control and Nanaimo recreation centre functions of the budget.

The fiscal services is an in-and-out budget item, and represents borrowing by the regional board for its member municipalities. This budget item increased \$339,410.

An increase of \$875,632 in the wastewater control section of the budget is a result of the addition of the French Creek facilities, now under construction, to the budget, as well as increase in debt charges for already-completed projects.

The \$149,357 increase in the Nanaimo Recreation Centre is in anticipation of the Feb. 4 referendum that will ask to raise the Beban Park Recreation Complex mill rate from three to five mills.

Other budgetary increases were mostly for inflation and salary increases, except for the transit function.

Regional directors Tuesday night received news that they had been expecting for some time — that the provincial government was going to reduce the amount it subsidized the Nanaimo regional transit system.

The system operates entirely within the city limits of Nanaimo, and benefiting residents pay a two-mill levy.

In the past, the provincial government has picked up 100 per cent of the system's deficit over that two mills.

But, a letter from Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs L. I. Bell told the board that in future the province would pay only 50 per cent of those deficits.

Hott told the board that this would mean a mill-rate increase of about 1.6 mills.

Directors agreed to write to Bell, asking if the new policy meant also that there would be a reduced subsidy to the B.C. Hydro bus systems in Victoria and Vancouver and to the Seabus in Vancouver.

In other business, the board accepted committee appointments for 1978, made by chairman Paul Smith.

Smith said that he changed committee membership as little as possible, but that there were two new committee chairmen.

Named planning committee chairman was Owen Kennedy, who had been transportation and public safety committee chairman in 1977.

Ada Howden will take over as chairman of the transportation and public safety committee. Remaining as chairman are Alex Virostko, public works and Ray Brookbank, parks and recreation.

The board also agreed to award a contract for a solid waste study to Ker, Priestman and Associates for \$12,500.

The study will investigate solid waste disposal possibilities for the entire region, ranging from landfill to incineration with energy recovery.

Too much stress at Christmas, says psychiatrist

Materialism shoplifting root

WINNIPEG (CP) — A psychiatrist says too much stress on materialism is partly responsible for a higher rate of shoplifting by adolescents during the Christmas season.

Dr. Eric Ellis of Winnipeg said the holiday-season emphasis on material goods put a big strain on youths from deprived social-economic backgrounds.

Ellis, a youth psychiatrist said many young people — particularly those from broken homes — regarded shoplifting as a way of striking back at society.

The anger and frustration they experienced was "justified but misplaced. They develop an attitude that they never got enough — and they didn't," he said.

"To a certain extent, stores set it up themselves. They say, 'Look how nice it would be if you had these things.' A great deal of importance is placed on having those goods. They promote materialistic values," he said.

Ellis said some adolescents went in for shoplifting for complex reasons. For some troubled youngsters, trying to separate psychologically from their parents and to establish their own identities, shoplifting could be a means of asserting their independence.

"Some people do it because it's thrilling. Some people shoplift because they think the store is a big impersonal place and it won't suffer. Some do it because they want help, and others want to get back at their parents — to embarrass them."

Ellis said society did not seem to be looking hard for a solution to shoplifting and to the broader problems with which such theft was associated.

"Failing to deal with the problem is a sign that society has certain values, that some

people don't deserve access to certain goals. But as long as you have materialism in

society, you will have shoplifting," Robert Neal of Winnipeg,

manager of management services for Eaton's department stores in Western Cana-

da, said shoplifting increased sharply during the Christmas season.



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Weathermen strike out B.C.

No weather forecasts will be available in B.C. until further notice after meteorologists employed by the federal government walked off the job at 8 p.m. Wednesday.

The legal walkout was expected to last 24 hours.

(The Colonist's forecast today was provided at 4:50 p.m. Wednesday.)

Weathermen will stay on the job to issue warnings of any major change in the weather that might be hazardous to the public, but are not providing any information for marine, aviation, or public purposes.

A federal transport ministry spokesman at Pat Bay airport said Wednesday night that no flights from or to Victoria had been affected.

Victoria forecasters are not providing any information because they are dependent on data issued from Vancouver.

Other centres affected by this walkout, the second by meteorologists to protest what they say is the federal treasury board's uncompromising stand on the issue of time off in compensation for shift work, are Edmonton, Whitehorse and Winnipeg.

There was no indication how long the strike would last. Last week forecasters at Toronto, Montreal and Halifax stopped work for 24 hours.

Jack Donnegani, spokesman for the meteorology group of the Professional Institute of the Public Service of Canada, said that for the last several years meteorologists had been dissatisfied with the shift compensation provided.

He said a skeleton staff of forecasters would remain on duty to provide a weather-watching service to ensure the safety and security of the general public.

Peace search unflagging

Colonist Wire Services

CAIRO — Israel and Egypt opened talks Wednesday to prepare for a Middle East peace conference in Geneva and immediately became embroiled in a dispute over the main issue separating them—the Palestinian question.

The Israeli delegation protested against the flag of the Palestine Liberation Organization flying outside the conference site along with the flags of the other parties invited. Israel considers the PLO a terrorist organization and refuses to deal with it.

In response to the Israeli protest about the presence of the "unknown flag," all the flags were removed, along with their flagpoles.

The talks are the first formal face-to-face conference between Arabs and Jews aimed at paving the way to a lasting peace in the Middle East.

Sabbath days recess

Toward the end of the day, Egyptian delegation spokesman, Morsi Saad Eddin, told reporters the day's session will resume this morning, but that there will be a recess for the following three days—Sabbath days for Moslems, Jews and Christians respectively.

The Cairo negotiations, facing such obstacles as redrawing frontiers and demands for a Palestinian state, are boycotted by militant Arab leaders and the Soviet Union, who accuse Egyptian President Anwar Sadat of a sell-out.

Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin arrived in the U.S. to consult with President Carter on the Cairo meeting.

Both the Israelis and Egyptians have emphasized the Cairo talks are not designed to arrange a separate treaty but to do the groundwork for an over-all Middle East settlement, possibly at a reconvened Geneva peace conference.

Egypt's chief delegate spoke of renewed hope as he opened the Cairo conference before television cameras that transmitted the proceedings to Israel and many Arab and European countries.

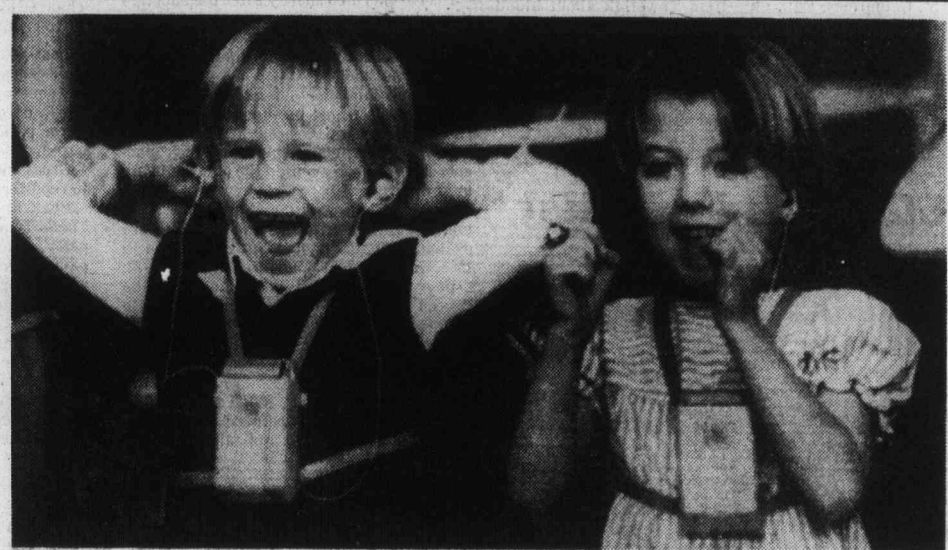
"Today we sincerely hope we are witnessing the dawn of a new era for this region and the entire world," he said. The Israelis and Arabs had fought four wars since Israel became independent in 1948.

Downtown Cairo was festooned with banners as Israeli and Egyptian delegates met at the Mena House, a restored luxury hotel beside the Great Pyramid of Cheops and a 40-minute drive from Cairo. Security was strict, with policemen surrounding the hotel and stationed at the base of the pyramid.

Also represented at the meeting are the U.S. and the UN.

Begin told reporters at New York's Kennedy airport: "We do hope this visit will be a real contribution to the peace-making process because it is President Carter

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Happy hands go carolling

Joyful carollers Josh Lang, 5, and Julie Hawkes, 4, students at Phoenix School for the Deaf, perform Christmas songs with their hands at Phoenix, Arizona, shopping centre. The youngsters hear the music through special hearing aids they wear around their necks.

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CP takes helm Jan. 1 of Northland network

VANCOUVER (CP) — Canadian Pacific Ltd. will take over the tug, barge and trucking operations of the Northland group of companies under terms of a lease agreement signed Wednesday and effective Jan. 1, 1978.

Northland currently provides a twice-weekly tug and covered barge freight service between Vancouver and Kitimat.

It also has a barge service from Kitimat to other ports in the northwest area, as well as a highway service to Terrace, Prince Rupert, Stewart, Burns Lake, and intermediate points from Kitimat through its subsidiary, Skeena Motor Carriers Ltd.

B. D. Margetts, general manager of CP Rail's coastal marine operations, said in a

news release that during the next few months the company "will be examining the possibility of increasing the frequency of the service as well as improving over-all efficiency."

No immediate changes in service to ships are expected however.

Frequency and efficiency of barge operations on the west coast have been a controversial issue for the past two years.

The agreement provides for leasing of Northland's facilities and equipment by Canadian Pacific for up to six years, with an option to purchase the service outright.

Northland's services will be operated by CP Rail's coastal marine division but will be kept separate from CP Rail's existing coastal steamship operation.

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Forest sprays 'a last resort'

OTTAWA (CP) — Spraying will become the weapon of last resort and research on ways to combat forest pests will concentrate on developing biological controls, Environment Minister Len Marchand announced Wednesday.

Provincial governments are to play a major role in the battle, Marchand said in a policy statement released by the department.

Forests are an important renewable resource and a serious threat to them by pests such as the spruce budworm threatens the economy, especially in areas where opportunities are limited, he said.

While spraying will have to be done in certain cases, improved forest management techniques by provinces and biological controls provide greater long-range benefits.

The federal department will concentrate on research on proposed chemical treatments and spraying techniques.

QUEEN CHARLOTTE 'JAWS' VERIFIED BY BIOLOGISTS

NANAIMO (CP) — The Pacific Biological Station here said Wednesday that the teeth taken from a shark found in the Queen Charlotte Islands in November show the fish was a great white shark.

Dr. Keith Ketchen said the shark was found on Lyell Island, about 80 kilometres south of Sandspit.

He said this is the first documented case of a great white shark in B.C. waters although there have been many

reports of sightings off the Alaska coast near Prince of Wales Island.

"But this is the first time we've had something tangible like teeth. This is the species that has been responsible for most reported shark attacks on humans," he said.

He said there have been no reports of shark attacks north of California on the Pacific coast.

Ketchen said the shark, discovered by Bill Verchere of the Queen Charlotte Islands, could have got lost coming north in tropical waters.

Mail warning sent but late — RCMP

OTTAWA (CP) — Field investigators of the RCMP Security Service weren't told flatly until Sept. 23 this year that it was illegal for them to open first-class mail, the McDonald royal commission into illegal RCMP behavior was advised Wednesday.

A message to area commanders went out three days after RCMP Supt. J.D. Cain, in charge of the RCMP legal branch, told security service headquarters Sept. 20 by memo that "it is illegal for anyone" to open mail or detain it.

The Post Office Act makes it a serious criminal offence

to even walk away with a letter found in the street let alone go into a post office and remove mail, the royal commission has been told this week.

However, the RCMP practice was only gradually slowed down and finally stopped in the 1970s, the commission learned. The service regarded the practice as a vital tool in dealing with foreign spies and domestic terrorists, operational chief Murray Sexsmith and his predecessor, Howard Draper, have testified.

Draper gave evidence Wednesday under protection of the Canada Evidence Act. He testified that when he became deputy director for operations in 1969, records were fragmentary and mail-openings were "a little casual."

Draper helped draft a top-

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Uranium study vetoed by Chabot

Canadian Press

Mines Minister James Chabot rejected Wednesday a request by an environmental group for a \$600,000 grant to study the social, economic and environmental implications of uranium mining in B.C.

SPEC, the anti-pollution group, said earlier this week the request was made to both the federal and provincial governments because they had provided a similar amount in 1976 for a three-year geochemical reconnaissance program for uranium.

Chabot said such a grant to SPEC would be a waste of money, and would only serve to delay uranium mining development in B.C. by three years.

Floods follow blackouts

Bella Bella hell: Now, hotel burns

BELLA BELLA, B.C. (CP) — During the last nine days, this isolated community has experienced a power failure, loss of telephone service, bitter cold, flooded basements—and now the town's hotel has burned.

The fire in the hotel Wednesday caused no injuries and guests are now bunking in the hospital in this community of 1,100 on the north coast.

Cecil Reid, Bella Bella Indian band chief councillor, said Wednesday he thought the fire was caused by a short circuit.

Bella Bella's problems began Dec. 6 when B.C. Hydro power cables to the island on which the community is situated were cut, apparently by a tugboat tow chain.

Telephone service was lost Sunday when the generator supplying a microwave transmitting station ran out of propane.

Both power and telephone services were restored Tuesday but residents are continuing their battle with flooding caused by warm weather and plumbing systems that ruptured while the power was off.

What farmland? ask Blenkinsop residents

How green will be the Blenkinsop Valley? was the philosophical question debated this week by members of Saanich's lands, planning and housing committee.

Kenneth Patterson, 4264 Blenkinsop, sparked a lively debate by aldermen with his contention that there is no viable farmland left above the 185-foot contour and land below that contour was insufficient to support one viable farm.

"WE TAKE EXCEPTION to any

pressure groups and people dictating to council what we should do and the way we should do things, and we do not accept any downzoning of our property or its exemption from the development area," he said.

Patterson said for the last eight years valley residents had stood silently by and listened to pressure groups and individuals tell valley land owners what they may or may not do with their land.

Increasing traffic on Blenkinsop

Road was creating a hazard for livestock and people and "some type of settlement must occur in this area soon."

ALD. FRED SEVERSON, who supported Patterson, said it was easy for recent valley residents to demand the valley remain green "but what happens to the farmer who is losing money. Should he not be given an opportunity to get out from under?"

He said some people owning land in

the valley zoned for five-acre lots were living on a fixed income and couldn't afford to keep their properties undeveloped.

Ald. Ian Cass, recalling that council last month endorsed a resolution defining the valley's boundaries and committing the area to rural and agricultural use in perpetuity, said: "If we have to upset people out to make a fast buck, that's too damn bad."

ALD. DAVID PATERSON said

many people wanted to protect the valley "but who do we ask to hold the land in perpetuity?"

He suggested the provincial government should play a key role in acquiring land as it became available under the Greenbelt Act and lease it back to tenant farmers.

A NEW FRONT in the Saanich war on development occurred a few weeks ago with the creation of the Saanich Greenbelt Association, a group whose

main aim is retarding or completely halting all future development in the valley.

The Blenkinsop Valley Ratepayers' Association, whose membership includes a number of those who own land in the valley, was reactivated last month.

Council has already agreed to meet early next year with valley residents in an attempt to allay fears about the future of their land.



—Colonist photo by Ian McKain

Old but new

Perpetuating ancient craft of silversmithing, Brian Anderson textures earrings with roundhead hammer at Circle Crafts Society's Christmas fair at their

premises at 434 Kingston. Exhibition and sale of work of local craftsmen continues through Saturday night.

Oak Bay 'screwed'

By NANCY BROWN
Colonist reporter

The people of Oak Bay are being "screwed again" by the chairman of the Capital Region, an irate Ald. Shirley Dowell charged Wednesday.

Dowell was reacting to her exclusion from the region's public works committee when chairman Jim Campbell announced his committee appointments.

"Our municipality is paying 38 per cent of the cost of a \$4 million project (Clover-McMicking sanitary sewer system) and certainly one representative from Oak Bay should be part of the decision making," Mrs. Dowell commented after the meeting.

"Let the people of Oak Bay know that they are being screwed again by the chairman of the CRD," she added.

Dowell said the only reason she could think of for her exclusion would be that some

sort of a structure is still being planned for the golf course or for Shoal Bay. The district had planned a sewage pump station for Shoal Bay, but objections from local residents forced a change of plans.

Mrs. Dowell had first objected to her exclusion from the committee when the appointments were announced, but Campbell said he had noted her objections and was not prepared to make changes, or to discuss the matter at this point.

He had, he said, "done what I had to do."

She also objected to parts of Campbell's report to the board, with references to Shoal Bay residents which she said were completely unfounded.

Describing the residents of the region, Campbell said they wanted their police and fire services as good as they could be, and did not expect

problems of jurisdiction to get in the way.

"They are not happy about marine disposal of sewage, but they will accept long outfalls as a stage in an upgrading process."

"They are probably shocked at the short outfall proposed for the McMicking Point area, but they are so pleased that a pumping station isn't going to be necessary on the beach that they only grumble quietly."

Also in his report, Campbell suggested that what the region needed is a mayor elected at large so that at least one board member represented an area larger than his own particular "parish". At present each director is elected to represent a particular area.

"I believe that in politics the source of authority defines the role, and in these matters regional districts

sometimes have difficulty in rising above being an assembly of not-too-co-operative parishes," said Campbell.

Election of a mayor at large, he felt was the only way to bring the real concept of regionalism into the board.

Turning to the water problems in the Saanich peninsula Campbell said hardly any residents understood why a corporation owned by three municipalities had total control over the sale of water from the only source that could truly meet the needs of the region as a whole.

"Those who live in the peninsula were gratified when the minister of municipal affairs and housing took the first bold steps to rationalize the peninsula water problems. I think they want him to take the next step now and make water a fully regional function."

In his committee appointments Campbell removed

Victoria Ald. Murray Glazier from the chairmanship of the public works committee, making him instead chairman of a regional planning committee expanded to include economic development. Sooke director Charles Perkins was appointed public works chairman.

Mrs. Dowell was given the chairmanship of the newly formed regional grants committee, and new director, Victoria Ald. Bob Wright was appointed chairman of the regional parks committee.

Metehosin's Mac Tipton was appointed chairman of the local works and services committee, and Langford director Howard Drummond was named chairman of the local planning and zoning committee.

Saanich Ald. Fred Severson was appointed to take the place of the retired William Noel as chairman of the community health and services committee.

Advisers urged for region

Tourist pays bill

Nine months of deliberations ended up on the Capital Region Board's lap Wednesday with a recommendation that an advisory commission be formed.

That recommendation was accompanied by the information that tourism is the number one generator of regional income, followed by government.

This report from the volunteer economic advisory committee was given to the board by committee chairman Peter Pollen, who said the 33-page document had been largely produced by regional planner Peter Hammer.

Pollen said that the region's secondary industries are important and consideration should be given to tax concessions to keep small industries viable.

The report recommended that an economic advisory commission be formed, and that the region board should endorse economic planning and development as a matter of high priority.

The board should provide funds for the commission and assume responsibility for the office of economic development commissioner.

Pollen also recommended

an improvement in the quality, content and distribution of promotional literature on the economic, social, cultural and natural attributes of the region.

The board should also coordinate the actions of public and private agencies interested in the promotion of tourism, and encourage businesses serving government departments to locate in Victoria.

Hammer said that in 1976 Victoria sold \$745 million worth of goods and services to

outside markets, while purchasing \$975 million worth.

The factor which saved Victoria from a strong deficit in transactions was the 390 million tourist dollars which came into the city.

Second highest generator of revenue in the region were the provincial and federal governments which had generated some \$100 million to \$150 million in net revenue.

It was decided to refer the report to the regional planning and economic development committee.

NEW POLICE CHIEF PICKED FOR OAK BAY

Oak Bay's new police chief will be a Vancouver police inspector with 26 years of senior command experience.

Mayor Brian Smith announced Wednesday that 50-year-old Irving Bailey won over 83 other candidates in a search which began in August when Chief John Green, 55, announced his retirement from the 22-man force.

Bailey has been offered a five-year contract and is expected to take over Jan. 2.

Insp. Jack Groves, who was acting chief after Green left in August, was one of the numerous applicants for the position.

Bailey has had 12 years as a constable in Vancouver's patrol and traffic divisions, three years in general investigation and criminal intelligence, and three years as a sergeant and staff sergeant in narcotics, patrol and special squad units.

Jail fears lingering

The Saanich Greenbelt Association is not convinced that the B.C. Corrections Branch has given up its efforts to use the Seven Oaks Home in the Blenkinsop Valley as a containment centre for juveniles.

Association president Mrs. Irene Block, instructed by the membership to pursue the matter with government officials, said Wednesday the human resources ministry wants the property for use in a program involving handicapped patients from Glendale Hospital "but it's still possible the attorney-general's department will also make a strong recommendation to cabinet."

The decision on the future use of the property will be made by the cabinet.

Mrs. Block was asked to make the inquiries after the association was told last week not to take too seriously statements by a senior branch official that his group was backing off from trying to acquire the former children's rehabilitation centre.

William Jack, regional director of corrections for Vancouver Island, said recently the branch was asking the Family Court Committee to help seek another site because of concern over com-

munity reaction and the substantial cost of renovations.

Saanich council, the greenbelt group and the Blenkinsop Valley Ratepayers' association have carried motions opposed to use of the home as a centre for hard-core juvenile offenders.

Church seared

An overheated light was blamed by Saanich firemen Wednesday night for a small fire that broke out in the newly-erected Church of the Nazarene on the north end of Quadra Street near the Patricia Bay Highway. Firemen said damage was slight.

Donors flow into clinic

A record 400 donors gave blood at a donor clinic at CFB Naden Wednesday, a Red Cross official reported. Today's clinic at Newcombe Auditorium is from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and the need for blood is still high, she said.

Obstetrics move goes to study amid emotion

Emotion ruled the day at the Capital Region Hospital Board Wednesday as board members were persuaded to ask the hospital and health planning commission to review its decision to move obstetrics and newborn services to the proposed Helmecken Road hospital.

Representatives of Victoria pediatricians making a presentation to directors, were accompanied by four women who repeatedly interrupted the meeting, accusing directors at one point of forcing a division of obstetrics and pediatrics even if it meant people would die.

Dr. Basil Boulton said his group had always advocated the unification of pediatrics and obstetrics in one centre.

The latest decision by the region's hospital planning commission was illogical and wrong, said Boulton. It first accepted the principle of unification, then negated that decision by recommending the placement of obstetrics and newborn services at Helmecken in phase one, scheduled for completion in 1981, and placing pediatrics in the same hospital in the phase scheduled for completion in 1986.

"No moneys have been allocated at this time for phase 2 construction," Boulton pointed out. "The decision by the commission if unaltered has ensured the separation of pediatrics from obstetrics and newborn services for a minimum of five years, and recent television comments about a two year separation not withstanding, probably for 10 years, perhaps forever."

"Equally importantly, it has totally disregarded the requirements made abundantly clear by the pediatricians for a comprehensive

centre with full subspecialty, diagnostic and treatment facilities for children without the need for ambulance transfer."

The pediatricians, he said, had been accused of being unfair to Western community residents who have never had local hospital services, but those residents were more concerned about quality of services than location, nor did they wish to achieve closer services at the expense of the much larger metropolitan community in the city.

Boulton suggested that the board set up a subcommittee to deal with the issue.

The present commission, he said, was appointed by the board, and had "wrestled from you the responsibilities which were mandated to you by your electors."

A recommendation that the commission be asked to review the matter and report back to the board was hotly disputed by Sooke director Charles Perkins, hospital board chairman Art Young, and region board chairman Jim Campbell.

Perkins, a commission member, said "for reasons of very grave concern we decided that the general concerns which involved construction of this hospital now as quickly as possible, outweighed the difficulty which will be experienced by certain practitioners for the period of time necessary for us to bring these functions back together."

Any alteration in major planning at this stage would mean prolonged delays in getting the hospital built.

Perkins acknowledged that there had been divisions in the committee before votes

were taken, but said that was to be expected.

The board was told that Boulton had made his presentation to the commission, and his submission had been considered before the decision was taken.

Young said that Boulton had been unable to even gain the support of his own colleagues with his proposal.

"If we reverse this decision," said Young, "we would have another group of doctors telling us what is wrong with that. The only way you will satisfy the medical fraternity is to build three major hospitals with everything in each, or to build a hospital with about 1200 beds and all the services."

More than half the students at the Lester B. Pearson College of the Pacific took part in a concert Wednesday afternoon as part of the official opening of the college's \$700,000 Max Bell Hall, a gift of the Max Bell foundation of Calgary.

Among those speaking briefly were R.S. Malone of Toronto, president of the foundation, Hon. John L. Nichol, Vancouver, chairman of the Pearson College board and Paul Bell of Calgary, the youngest son of the late Calgary publisher and sportsman.

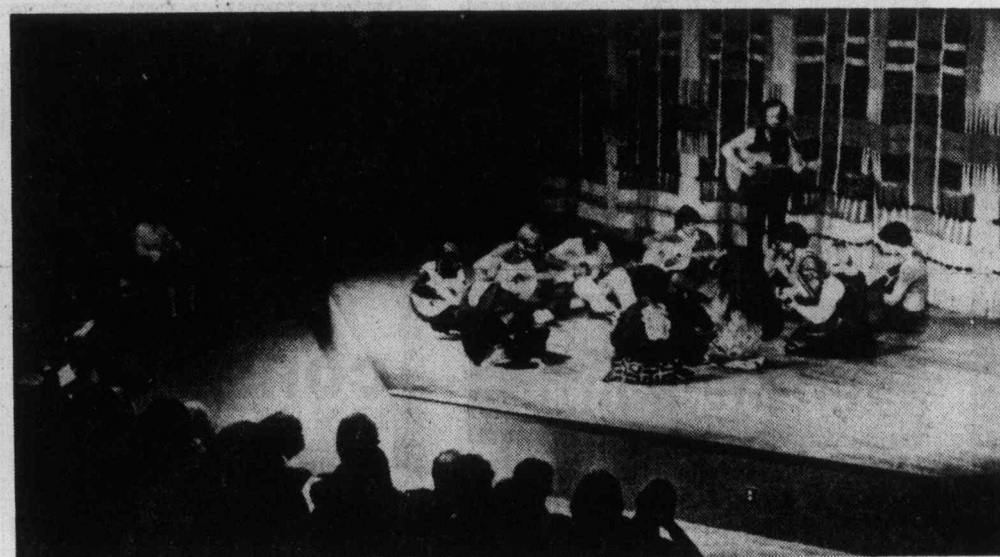
Also in attendance were former Governor-General Roland Michener and Mrs. Michener. He is a trustee of the college and the foundation.

The hall, which includes a 360-seat theatre along with backstage facilities and music and art rooms, was completed last spring. Only last week, the college presented its first drama production in the theatre, *Tar-tuffe* by Moliere.

The concert portion began with the college choir singing *Fanfare 'Audite, haec omnes'* written in honor of Bell. The program was largely musical and accented the multi-national composition of the college with folk songs performed in native costume including those from Kenya, the Canadian north, China and Scotland. There were two dance interludes including a Japanese ribbon dance as well as a Kandyan dance.

The beginners' class of the college's International Guitar Circle played *Silent Night* and the audience was asked to join in singing the last verse "in whatever language pleases you most."

As the 10 student guitarists played, most in national costume, the carol could be heard to be sung in English, Japanese, and Chinese among other languages.



—Colonist photo by Ian McKain

Multilingual *Silent Night* concludes opening ceremony at Max Bell hall